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OUTLINES.

The National Rivers and Harbors Congress yesterday adopted a resolution embodying its views on Rivers and Harbors improvements, including appropriation by Congress of $500,000,000, bonds for the same to be issued from time to time——The original receivership of the Norfolk & Southern Railway was bought yesterday by the Trust Company of America, of New York, and Judge Waddill re-appointed the receivers—— Several members of Congress are considering a movement to overthrow the President's order withdrawing the marine corps from the United States warships——President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft held a conference at the White House last night and discussed a number of important matters relative to the next administration and the Taft Cabinet——Thomas F. Ryan has contributed $1,000 to the "Uncle Remus" Memorial Fund for perpetuating the memory of Joel Chanler Harris——Following a brutal crime of a negro, who raided a white man's home at Statensville, Ga., he was dealt with at the hands of a posse ——John R. Hegeman, president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company by a decision of the court of Appeals in New York yesterday was freed of the charge of perjury, which if it stands, will serve to quash all indictments now standing against insurance officials——At a conference on the tariff revision in Washington yesterday between Judge Taft and Republican members of the House Ways and Means committee, free trade with the Philippines was agreed upon.—— A committee is appointed to investigate a charge of attempt to bribe the umpires of the New York-Chicago baseball championship games——Seven hundred sailors are to be sent to Panama to join the Pacific fleet—— Arrangements are being made for the evacuation of Cuba by the American troops and civil officers——Congressman Perkins, Republican, introduced a resolution yesterday for the appointment of a committee to consider what action shall be taken on the part of of the President's message in reference to the secret service——New York markets: Money on call firmer at 2 1-2 to 3 per cent, ruling rate 2 1-2 closing bid 2 3-4, offered at 3. Flour dull and lower. Wheat weak, No. 2 red 1.07 3-8 to 1.08 7-8 elevator. Corn easy, No. 2, 66 1-2 to arrive elevator. Oats steady, mixed 55 to 55 1-2. Rosin and turpentine quiet. Cotton quiet, 5 points lower, middling uplands 9.10, middling gulf 9.35.

It does look like the powder trust is in for it. That agreement surely clinches the thing.

Wonder if there was anything besides tariff revision mentioned in the Taft-Cannon compromise?

Roosevelt continues right after the labor leaders—not with the big stick, but with commissions to offices.

After taking a rest for a short while Taft's Cabinet makers have returned to their work with increased vigor.

The South will get her proper recognition when some party needs her vote and cannot count positively on it before the election.

If they keep on hammering at the case they may get Ruef in the penitentiary yet, despite the California Supreme Court.

The Rivers and Harbors Congress need not expect any help from Speaker Cannon. He has given its members notice of his opposition to their plans.

We have seen a good many criticisms of President Roosevelt's annual message to Congress, but have failed so far to find anyone claiming to have read it in full.

How can President Roosevelt be so cock-sure that nobody got a rake-off on that Panama canal purchase? Does he know to whom all the purchase money went?

Isn't it worth the while of the Wilmington business men to make the effort to have our city chosen as the chief ocean terminal of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railroad?

The jury has said Davis did not kill Dr. Rustin and Mrs. Brice says she didn't do it. Then who did it? It could not have been suicide, for no pistol was found near the body.

Notwithstanding the alleged promise of Speaker Cannon "to be good" if Taft would not oppose his re-election, it looks like the former is preparing to give trouble in the next Congress.

If the opening of the Clinchfield railroad is of so much importance to Charlotte and several South Carolina cities, couldn't it be made the same as to Wilmington if our people would try to make it so?

If the county and city officials had worked together instead of against each other in the Smith homicide in Raleigh better progress on discovering the guilty parties might have been made.

PENSION WARRANTS

Library of Congress

Amount Received Yesterday By Clerk of Superior Court From State Auditor.

TOTAL AMOUNT IS $2,922

Now Ready For Distribution to All Beneficiaries—Received at Most Welcome Season of The Year. Comrade Died

As a welcome evidence of the appreciation of the people of the State of the services of the brave soldiers, who fought and suffered untold hardships and were wounded and maimed for a cause they knew and believed was right during the late war between the States, on the eve of the gladsome Christmas holiday season, nothing could have been more welcome than the pension warrants for the soldiers and widows of soldiers in New Hanover county, which were received yesterday from the State Auditor at Raleigh by the Clerk of the Superior Court and are now ready for distribution from his office.

The amount disbursed in this county is $2,922 and this goes to three soldiers of the second class who receive $60 per year; four of the third class who receive $48 per year and 62 of the fourth class, who receive $25 per year. One of the fourth class, Comrade W. T. Atkins died after the warrants were made out and this will be returned to Raleigh as required by law. In addition to the soldiers there are 40 widows, all of the fourth class, who receive $25 per year. The list of the recipients, soldiers and widows are as follows:

Second Class—M. T. Davis, James E. Kelly, W. B. Wells.

Third Class—John A. Farrow, J. W. Gray, Wm. M. Stevenson, B. O. Watson.

Fourth Class—Elias Bass, Wm. Blackmon, Henry C. Blake, B. L. Brock, Wm. H. Bass, Wm. W. Benson, Levi Bryan, T. E. Clarke, John W. Crandel, Robert, Chadwick, J. J. Canady, Alfred Cannon, F. W. Cornish, James W. Dixon, W. R. Dowdy, W. H. Darden Jesse J. Dicksey, James B. Farrar, H. J. Farr, Jacob W. Garrason, J. C. Grey, John E. A. Grissom, Benj. Hollis, S. B. Hankins, J. A. Hankins, J. T. Hancock, J. J. Hawes, Robt. Johnson, James M. King, John E. King, James A. King, D. C. Littleton, H. C. Lumsden John W. Morgan, L. W. Merrett, J. M. Newton, Jas. O. Ormsby, J. H. Porter, D. N. Page, J. G. Rackley, J. C. Revelle, W. D. Rhodes, J. W. Rogers, J. M. Rogers, I. D. Reynolds, W. T. Spooner, John B. Simmons, J. J. Shepard, Samuel J. Sneeden, Robt. J. Sykes, W. W. Skinner, Wm. M. Skipper, Rufus G. Strickland, Jonathan Stubbs, J. J. Turner, Louis Taylor, Wm. L. Wilkins, W. H. Williams, Jas. P. Walker, J. P. Wallace, L. A. Watkins, Jos. Willoughby.

Widows—Rachel Aldrich, Mary J. Blackwell, Elizabeth E. Bland, Elizabeth Britt, Elizabeth Carroll, Lucy A. Cowles, Seley J. Carteret, Caroline Davis, Mary A. Deans, Eliza Farrow, Adeline Gray, Sarah E. Humphrey, Margaret Holmes, Eliza Howard, Mary J. Jones, Elizabeth Kerr, Henrietta Kelly, Sarah Mathyus, Nancy Mathews, E. M. Page, Mary F. Pender, Martha A. Potter, M. S. Raynor, Elizabeth Jane Russ, Alvira Riyenbark, Fannie J. Rodgers, M. A. Russ, Mary Ann Russell, Mary A. Rowan, Eliza J. Rogers, Emeline Roberts, M. A. M. Sellars, Mary Ann Smith, Sarah Jane Stephens, Harriett E. Seeders, Emma Sylva, Kizzie Taylor, Margaret C. Turney, Sarah E. White, Susan Whiteman.

Architect's Property Attached.

Under a process from Justice Furlong's court, Constable W. B. Savage yesterday served three attachments on property belonging to Mr. Chas. McMillen, the architect, who is understood to have recently removed to Oklahoma. An automobile in the hands of F. W. Dock & Co., was attached by the C. W. Polvogt Co., to satisfy an alleged indebtedness of $95; household and kitchen furniture, packed and ready for shipment in the hands of the Atlantic Coast Line, was attached by the Chadbourn Sash, Door & Lumber Co., upon a claim of $129, and the office furniture of Mr. McMillen is attached by Mr. W. A. Dick, real estate agent, for rent of rooms 313 and 314 Southern Building. A fourth attachment was by W. A. Whitehead & Son upon funds of T. H. Barlow in the hands of A. S. Winstead, to satisfy a claim of $51. Due notice of the seizure has been posted and after 30 days a hearing of the cause will be held before Justice Furlong.

LaBoo Case Was Settled.

In Justice Bornemann's court yesterday the civil suit of Benjamin LaBoo, to recover $200 from Rev. Elisha Wooten, both colored, for providing for his child for two years, prior to habeas corpus in which the child was delivered into the latter's hands, was dismissed when it was shown that Wooten had placed the child in the hands of a woman, and LaBoo had taken it away from her by force and had provided for it on his own accord. Wooten was represented by Messrs. Pait & Woody.

ODD FELLOWS OF DISTRICT

Wearers of Three Links From Six Counties to Gather Here Next Friday Evening—Joint Committee of Entertainment.

A joint committee from the four lodges of Odd Fellows in Wilmington have arrangements well under way for the district meeting to be held here on Friday night of next week, when it is expected there will be a large representation from the six counties embraced, Duplin, Sampson, Pender, New Hanover, Brunswick and Columbus.

Dr. John A. Stevens, of Clinton, is district supervisor of the Sixth District and he with a number of other prominent Odd Fellows of the State, is expected to be present. Grand Master H. M. Shaw, of Oxford; Grand Secretary B. H. Woodell, of Raleigh, and other Grand Lodge officers have been invited. All the various branches of Odd Fellowship in the District will be taken up and a delightful social session will be given for the entertainment of the visitors, who will be guests at The Colonial Inn. The joint committee from the local lodges with Mr. H. O. Craig as chairman and Mr. P. H. Murphy as secretary is composed as follows:

Cape Fear—W. H. Yopp, B. F. King, and Col. Walker Taylor.

Orion—H. O. Craig, C. D. Morrell and J. H. Swinson.

Wilmington—T. G. Landen, J. J. Craig and P. H. Murphy.

Hanover—S. G. Hall, C. R. Spooner and A. J. Hewlett.

Dr. Stevens as district supervisor will preside over the sessions and direct the formal exercises. Wilmington Odd Fellows are looking forward to the meeting with much pleasure.

THE JINGLES ALL IN.

Winners in Unique Advertising Contest Announced Tomorrow.

The winners in the unique advertising jingle contest which has been in progress the past week closed yesterday morning at 8:30 o'clock and the awards will be announced tomorrow. The contest resulted in bringing to light not a little poetic genius and the awards were exceedingly difficult. Not a few of the advertisers frankly said they were incompetent to judge of the best efforts in their behalf and their selections were left to disinterested parties, the jingle editor himself, Mr. T. D. Duff, having personally made a number of decisions where the competition was close. More than a thousand jingles came in altogether and the regret was that all the meritorious contributions could not be rewarded. The contest was indeed a "survival of the fittest" and however much there may be a difference of opinion as to the merits of the jingles selected as the winners, the average person will admit that the jingles to be published tomorrow are exceedingly good.

MR. BOWDEN'S FUNERAL.

Conducted Yesterday at 3 O'clock—Interment in Oakdale.

The funeral of Mr. L. Tate Bowden, whose death occurred Thursday morning following a short illness, was conducted from St. Andrew's Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., the pastor. The services were sad and impressive and were attended by a large number of friends and acquaintances of Mr. Bowden. The interment was in Oakdale and the concluding services were with the honors of the Odd Fellows; Orient lodge, of which he was a member, having attended in a body. Quite a number of beautiful floral tributes were sent by friends in the city.

The pall-bearers were as follows: Honorary, Dr. W. K. Anders and Capt. W. F. Corbett; active, Messrs. John Silva, C. D. Morrell, Harry Hill, W. W. Hodges, Houston Merritt and Wm. H. Sprunt. Out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral were Mrs. B. C. DeVane, of Fremont, and Mr. James L. King, of Sumter, S. C.

MOTTE GIVEN TRIAL.

For Assaulting Two Men Saturday Night—Assailant Known.

A case in which several persons were implicated, in the trouble last Saturday night at a barbecue stand at corner of Fourth and Brunswick streets, in which William Motte was struck and painfully injured with a hatchet, after he had fought with the two proprietors of the place, was investigated at the session of the police court yesterday, presided over by Mayor Pro Tem. O'Brien, and Motte was fined $5 and costs and the other parties discharged for lack of evidence.

J. W. Glisson and son, Dan Glisson, and Z. H. Barnes, who conduct the place, were the parties who were before the Mayor, however, the latter was satisfied after a short investigation that they were not connected with the affair. Motte has given the name of the person that struck him and the police think that he will be apprehended.

Wolston Continues Voyage.

The schooner Charles H. Wolston, Capt. Plummer, bound from Charleston to New York with cargo of lumber, recently towed into Southport in distress, after readjusting her deck load, sailed yesterday for her destination. The schooner Judge Boyce, Capt. Eskridge, after discharging a cargo of guano to the Seaboard Air Line cleared yesterday light for Brunswick, Ga.

NEXT IN WADESBORO

Baptist State Convention in Sessios at Wilson Considers Routine Affairs Largely.

THE ORPHANAGE NEEDS

Better Support is Urged—Report on Missions For Past Fiscal Year Very Gratifying — Other Notes of Meeting.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 11.—This has been a monotonous day for the delegates in attendance upon the North Carolina State Convention, the entire morning being taken up with reading of reports. An invitation was received from Wadesboro, urging the next convention to be held in that city, and it was decided to accept with thanks.

Mr. M. L. Kesler, Manager of the Orphanage, made a special plea for "Charity and Children," the organ of the orphanage that now has a circulation of 12,500. He referred to the necessity for new equipment at the orphanage in order to meet the demands of progress. One hundred applications for admissions have been recently refused on account of lack of room.

The running expenses of the orphanage exceed $100 a day. He also appealed to the Sunday Schools to take up a collection one Sunday each month and the churches on Thanksgiving Day, the money to be applied for the support of the Orphanage. He asked for a pledge of $2,000 to furnish the dining room and purchase felt mattresses to substitute for straw ones that are made at the orphanage. A great deal of straw is required for this purpose not only that made on the orphanage farm, but much more besides.

The Committee on Home Missions reported and Rev. A. C. Jenkins, of Statesville, E. A. Brown and C. J. Thompson made speeches on same. The report on missions contained the following:

"In our work this year, we have been confronted by many difficulties and discouragements. The Associations with few exceptions have not been up to the average. While the attendance is perhaps as large as usual, there was a noticeable lack of interest and enthusiasm. Very little advancement was made in the pledges for next year and until within the last week, there was a falling off in contributions to all mission objects. There are several causes for this . The panic undoubtedly affected collections, especially in our town churches. Some of our strongest and most liberal churches fell behind in their contributions. Two elections this year—the prohibition in May and the general election in November—awakened a State-wide interest and diverted the minds of many of our people from the general work of the denomination.

In the opinion of your Board, the above are the chief causes that produced such an alarming apathy on the part of many of our churches. Two weeks before the books closed, all indications pointed to a $5,000 debt, while a week later, it seemed barely possible to reduce indebtedness to $2,500 but two or three days before the end of the year, the hearts of our people were touched by the spirit of God.

"The treasurer's books closed with $37,503,27. Since then sufficient funds have come in for State missions and Sunday Schools to bring the amount up to $38,101.27 a slight increase over last year."

President Carlisle has appointed the following committee on place and preachers for next year: T. M. Pittman, W. A. Graham, T. W. Chambliss, T. S. Reid, T. J. Speight, C. F. Whitlock, A. H. Porter. To this committee is referred the proposition to change the convention to the pay plan of entertainment. This question is receiving much consideration and both sides sides have strong advocates.

Devotional exercises were conducted this morning by A. E. Brown and R. B. White and J. W. Bailey presented the cause of the Biblical Recorder. Mr. J. S. Farmer said it required $300 per week to issue the paper and unless circulation was increased, the subscription price would have to be raised.

Rev. Baylus Cade offered a feeling resolution referring to the long and useful life of Dr. J. D. Huffham, which was unanimous.y passed.

Comes to Wilmington.

The Greensboro correspondent of yesterday's Charlotte Observer has the following of local interest: "Mr. M. W. Thompson, one of the most progressive young business men in Greensboro, will move to Wilmington January 1st and engage in business with Mr. W. E. Worth, with whom he has been associated here for a number of years as secretary and treasurer of the Greensboro Ice and Coal Company. Both he and Mr. Worth will retain their interests in the ice and coal business they have conducted in this city. Mr. Thompson has served as a member of the board of aldermen and for the past two years has been the efficient and active president of the chamber of commerce. His resignation as the official head of that body has been accepted with expressions of regret."

FOR FLOOD SUFFERERS

Congressman Godwin Introduces Bill Authorizing Government to Give Needed Aid to Cape Fear Counties—Appropriation.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Representative Godwin introduced a bill in the House today providing for the appropriation of $100,000 for all persons who are in needy circumstances, caused by the flood and overflow of the Cape Fear River in Bladen, Cumberland and Harnett counties in August last.

His bill provides that the Secretary of War shall co-operate with the State authorities and supply all persons with food, clothing and necessaries of life, who are in indigent circumstances by reason of the flood in those three counties.

Mr. Godwin called to see the Secretary of War on the opening day of Congress and discussed the matter and also examined the report of Major Schumm of Fort Caswell, filed with the Secretary of War at the instance of Governor Glenn, who requested the examination and report immediately after the flood occurred. Mr. Godwin was advised that there was no available funds with the Secretary of War to be used in assisting the needy persons. He has also been dilligent in gathering information in reference to what the policy of the Government has been, and what Congress has done in other cases.

Mr. Godwin stated today that he had received information to the effect that it had never been the policy of the government to appropriate sums of money for relief in these cases, but it is the policy of the government wherever necessary, to order the Secretary of War to furnish subsistence quartersmaster's supplies, medicines, medical aid, and tents.

There was no money paid to the sufferers in the case of the San Francisco earthquake, but Congress appropriated five millions of dollars to be used in purchasing supplies by the Secretary of War, to be furnished to the sufferers. Last Spring Congress appropriated quite a handsome sum, which the Secretary of War was directed to use in purchasing supplies for the poor people who were rendered homeless and in needy circumstances as a result of a cyclone, which occurred in the States of Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

Under the precedents and former actions of Congress Mr. Godwin does not hope to get a bill through appropriating money to be paid to the sufferers directly, but he hopes to have an investigation made and in all cases where necessary to have supplies sent to those in destitute circumstances.

IN SUPERIOR COURT.

All Day and Night Session Taken Up With the Bank Case.

Again yesterday all day and until nearly 12 o'clock last night the Superior Court was engaged with the trial of the suit of the Murchison National Bank, of this city, against the Dunn Oil Mills and J. D. Barnes, which was begun Thursday morning and which involves something less than $10,000, growing out of the failure of the Farmers' National Bank at Dunn, N. C., several years ago. The evidence was all in at 6 o'clock yesterday evening when Judge Lyon announced that there would be a night session for the argument of counsel, this in order that today, the last of the term, may be devoted to a call of the motion docket.

The argument continued until near 12 o'clock and a recess was taken for His Honor's charge to the jury, which is composed as follows: E. S. McGowan, D. McK. Johnson, G. R. Parker, A. L. Dosher, J. B. Elkins, J. E. Reville, W. J. Kirkham, Sam Bear, J. W. Batson, I. J. Bear, R. M. McIntyre, and Martin Schnibben. Ex-Judge E. K. Bryan opened the argument for the plaintiff and was followed by Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, for the defendants; N. A. Townsend and J. C. Clifford, Esqs., in the same behalf, while Woodus Kellum, Esq., closed for the defendants and J. O. Carr, Esq., for the plaintiff.

Only two other matters engaged the court yesterday. One was judgment for divorce in case of Florence Mohr against Gerhardt Mohr and the other was a non suit in case of M. W. Divine & Co., against Murchison National Bank.

FOR LARCENY OF PAPERS.

First of Several Warrants to be Brought Against Miscreants.

The first of several warrants to be brought against a number of bootblacks and other youngsters, who have demoralized of late the delivery of The Morning Star to its city subscribers, especially on Sunday mornings, when the paper is stolen from residences by the wholesale, after it is regularly delivered by the carrier boy, was issued yesterday before Magistrate J. H. Sykes for Reid Miller, a colored lad, 12 years old, who is positively identified by two carrier boys, who allege that they caught him in the act last Sunday morning. A regular system of espionage has been established by the paper and tomorrow morning it is hoped to secure evidence that will convict several of the miscreants who have made life unbearable in the circulation department of the paper recently. The case of Miller will be heard in Justice Furlong's court this morning at 10:30 o'clock.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION

Bishop Comments Upon Fine Charctaer of Ministry of the N. C. Conference.

RECEPTION FOR THE VISITORS

Given Yesterday Afternoon in Trinity Library—Memorial Service—Work Well Advanced—Other Notes of the Gathering.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., Dec. 11.—The third day of the Methodist Conference was again without special incident. It was all routine work and nothing to claim the special attention of any but those making up the conference.

At the completion of the call of Question 20 this morning, the passing of the characters of the ministers in the various churches, Bishop Wilson remarked that the character of every man had been passed and that there was nothing against a single one of the ministers. This was an announcement that caused several "amens" from various parts of the audience.

The only thing out of the regular routine was the appearance of Rev. J. M. Terrell, missionary to Brazil, who told of his work, and Dr. G. B. Winston, editor of the Christian Advocate at Nashville, both of whom made interesting talks and explained their work. A memorial service was held this morning in memory of Rev. Robert Taylor, and Layman George S. Pritchard.

The session ended at 1 o'clock and this afternoon there was an informal reception tendered the members of the conference at the Trinity library. Up to this time the work had been rapid and without special incident to the outside world.

Conference Notes.

Calling the name of Rev. K. D. Holmes on Thursday, he was not present to make the report and the presiding elder, Rev. W. L. Cuninggim, stated that Fifth Street church at Wilmington, that had so long been a mission had now begun better things, and had this year paid $714 into conference collections, and would soon pay back all it had ever cost the conference to maintain it all these years and showed the wisdom of maintaining the place and working it up to the present high standard. Mr. Holmes has done fine work there for the past two years.

When the name of Rev. A. D. Betts, who was stationed at Shallotte, in the Wilmington district last year, was called on Wednesday, he gave an encouraging report of his work, closing his report with the statement that the best item was that during the year he had seen some souls converted. He then spoke in a feeling manner of his 53 years in the itinerant ministry and with his voice trembling with emotion, then asked that his name be referred to the committee on Conference relations for the superannuated relation. Dr. Betts is one of the best known and one of the best loved members of the conference, a man in whom everyone has confidence, and his Godly life through all these years has been a benediction to his Conference and to the charges he has served as pastor. He told of his love for the work, of what a loss to give it up, but that the time had come and he was willing for the young to work while he prayed. He asked that the seven already on the superannuated list allow him to join the ranks and as he sat down the Conference sang, "How Firm a Foundation," and Rev. Marcus C. Thomas, the old superannuate, went over to him and shook his hand, welcoming Uncle Betts to the ranks, while the conference sang "Wayworn Traveler," it was a scene never to be forgotten.

The Conference Quartette, composed of Revs. C. E. Vale, J. H. Frizzelle, A. J. Parker and Mr. R. M. Phillips, is leading the music for the sessions and it is seldom the people of Durham have had an opportunity of hearing such singing.

RIVERSIDE PLEASURE CLUB

Certificate of Incorporation Received For Wilmington Club.

A certificate of incorporation for the Riverside Pleasure Company of Wilmington was received yesterday by the Clerk of the Superior Court. There is no capital stock and the incorporators are Richard Aust, H. C. L. Borkenhagen and Adolph Hauser. The headquarters will be at No. 2 Market street, and the purposes for which the corporation is chartered is set forth as follows: "To conduct a pleasure club for the social and literary intercourse of its members and in connection therewith to arrange and hold festivals and entertainments of all kinds for its members and for the public and if so desired to install, own and operate for the benefit of its members, bowling alleys, pool and billiard tables and for doing such other things as may be lawfully done by such corporations and also to purchase, lease and otherwise acquire , hold, mortgage, convey and otherwise dispose of property real and personal, as may be necessary for its corporate purposes. The membership in the corporation shall be conditioned upon proper election thereto and payment of $1 initiation fee.

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AFTER JANUARY FIRST.

The Charlotte Chronicle seems to think the Wilmington authorities are going to have trouble with the blind tigers after January 1st when the saloons will go out of business in this city as well as all over the State. It thinks that those unlawful concerns will take the place of the present legalized places of business. We have no doubt that there will be illegal sales of liquor in this city, but we hope the police authorities will be able to handle the situation and keep this class of law-breaking down to the minimum. That they can prevent it entirely is not to be expected, for it has never been done in any place where the prohibition law has been in effect. There will be violations of the law here. The thing to do is for the authorities to let it be understood that those convicted of this offense will be severely punished and that the officers of the law will be diligent in ferreting out the violations of this law.

It is too late now to argue on the expediency or the fairness of this law. It has been placed on the statute books, and the only thing to do is to enforce it, and in the enforcement of the same all good citizens should give the authorities of the city and county their hearty support.

Speaking of what is to be expected in this city after January 1st the Chronicle says—probably judging our city by conditions in Charlotte and elsewhere where prohibition is now in effect:

"In preparation for a line of work which they expected to be called upon to perform after January 1st, the Wilmington police are practicing on blind tigers, a few of whom seem to have been getting ready for business. The saloons there and in every other town in the State in which they exist, will be closed at midnight on the last day of the year and by that time the officers of the law expect to be in thorough training for the tiger. It is expected that the Wilmington jungles will afford lively sport in the early stages of the game."

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT CHARGED.

A special dispatch to the Charlotte Observer from Greensboro says that a committee of the State Bar Association is setting in that city—behind closed doors—investigating charges of unprofessional conduct against E. F. Aydlette, of Elizabeth City, one of the most prominent lawyers in Eastern North Carolina, made by B. F. Smith & Co., a firm of contractors of Washington, D. C., the charge being that of extortion. The investigating committee is composed of A. M. Scales, of Greensboro; B. F. Kluttz, of Salisbury; J. G. Merrimon, of Asheville; A. B. Andrews, Jr., of Raleigh, and L. L. Moore, of Newbern. This committee is composed of prominent lawyers and high toned men and the public may feel sure that what decision they make will be just and fair. It is to be deplored that such a charge should be brought against a prominent member in our State of this honorable profession and we hope that Mr. Aydlette will be able to completely exonerate himself; but we recognize the fact that the only way to keep the profession clean is for its members to thoroughly investigate charges of unprofessional conduct on the part of any member, no matter how high his standing may be in the profession or how great his reputation for honesty and integrity in his community, and no exception should be made in favor of any member of the bar who is shown to have violated the rules which govern honest and honorable men in the conduct of their business as lawyers. This is a painful duty for the members of the Bar Association to perform; but it is a duty they owe to themselves and to their profession.

THE NEXT LEGISLATURE.

It will be good news to those members of the Legislature who are candidates for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives that ex-Lieutenant Governor Doughton will not be a candidate for the place. Mr. Doughton made this announcement a few days ago to a representative of the Charlotte News, in which he said:

"I don't care to enter a contest against my friends, Dowd, Hayes and Graham, all of whom are thoroughly qualified for the honor and duties attached to the Speakership."

Had the gentleman from Alleghany entered the race he would, in all probability, have secured an easy victory. Mr. Doughton is one of the leading Democrats of the State. He has served several times in the Legislature and has been the presiding officer of both houses, which position he filled with ability and satisfaction to members of both parties in those bodies. Many of his friends hoped last summer to see him the party's nominee for Attorney General. There is no safer man or sounder Democrat among the members of the party in the South.

Mr. Doughton advocates a short session of the Legislature this winter. He thinks there should be very little legislation; that the Legislature "should pass a just and conservative revenue act and adjourn, because the State needs a rest from legislation." That is a most sensible view to take and we hope that Mr. Doughton's advice along this line will be heeded by the other members for it would be the best thing for the State that the Legislature could do. A short session and little legislation is what the people want and what the business interests need.

BRYAN'S ARREST IN TEXAS.

Maybe the fact that W. J. Brayn was arrested in Texas for violating the game laws was the cause of his so emphatically denying the rumor that he expected to locate in that State. It is true that Bryan was discharged while his two companions were fined $25 each for killing more than 25 ducks in a day. It was Bryan's poor marksmanship which secured his release. Though the three hunters were found to have 150 wild ducks as the result of one day's hunt, it was shown that the Nebraskan had brought down less than 25 of them. While Bryan's bad shooting had saved him from having to pay a fine, the fact that he had been arrested and hailed to a criminal court must have given him a prejudice to the State. We are not surprised that he now so emphatically denies that he intends to become a resident of the Lone Star State, whether or not such residence would open up opportunity to become a member of the United States Senate.

Judging from the manner in which Great Britain is rushing troops from the home country to India she must expect serious trouble in the latter country at an early day. In addition to the troops which have been sent out there is a call for recruits to increase the draft of soldiers for service in the East. It is said a serious revolt of the natives is feared.

Judge Neal's resignation took the whole State by surprise. It is strange that he did not wait until he had finished his fall circuit. He took snap judgment on the men who would like to be his successor by making his resignation take effect almost immediately.

We are glad to see North Carolina so well represented at the Rivers and Harbors Congress. We hope good to the State will come of it. Among our delegates there are some earnest workers in the interest of river and harbor improvements in our State.

Roosevelt has blood in his eye for those fellows who started the report about that Panama canal purchase. He is not going to be content with hustling them into the Ananias Club; but wants to put them in the penitentiary also.

The Star learns with much regret that Judge Purnell's condition grows no better; that he is still ill, with little prospect of speedy recovery. We hope his health is not as seriously impaired as his friends think it to be.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—A large number of papers qualified just as the Indianapolis News did for admission to the Ananias club, but the President would not let any but the News in. Why this discrimination?—Florida Times-Union.

—The last annual message of President Roosevelt to the Congress of the United States excels all that have preceded it in prolixity, and contains little substance in the way of practical suggestion or recommendation to excuse its inordinate length.—Journal of Commerce.

—Should the report prove well founded that Mr. Taft has invited former Senator John C. Spooner to a place in the Cabinet as Secretary of State, the country will have still further cause for congratulation. And, in the event of Mr. Spooner's acceptance of that portfolio—or any other for which his ability and versatility qualify him—the country may be reconciled to his loss from the Senate, and in some measure for the departure of Mr. Root from that office.—Baltimore Star (Rep.)

—Mr. Roosevelt carefully avoided using the word "treaty" in the recently made compact with Japan, with a view to keeping it out of the Senate, as he succeeded in the matter of the "treaty" with Santo Domingo. The administration is also pretending that the United States is not bound by the terms of the pact. If we or the Japanese are not bound by the terms of the pact, it is farcical to enter into it; and if we are, then it is, ineffect, a treaty or alliance. The Senate has lost its backbone, if it permits the "adroit mind of Elihu Root" to circumvent it in this way and usurp its constitutional prerogatives.—Columbia State.

—The subjects discussed in this, President Roosevelt's last regular message to Congress, are by no means new. They have practically all been treated by him on several previous occasions, in Congressional communications and public addresses, and so call for neither lengthy nor analytical review now and here. More than that, they have been discussed so generally on the rostrum and in the public press for the last twelve months as to have long since lost interest attaching to novelty. Probably the most remarkable thing about the document is that it has been kept within the compass of less than 20,000 words—something extraordinarily unusual for a Roosevelt message.—Virginian-Pilot.

—There is not the least doubt that the fine fall weather has added materially to the cotton crop in some sections, but the size of the yield is still as much a matter of debate as before. Many contend that owing to the rapid harvesting the uncommonly large movement of the crop to market is no true criterion of its size, but the movement has now kept up at a record rate for so long that it requires a considerable stretch of the imagination to entertain the smaller crop estimates that are being published. On the other hand, there is enough of truth in the fact that the crop has been gathered and marketed rapidly to make it risky to pin faith to the larger estimates, like 13,500,000 bales and above.—New Orleans Picayune.

—Everything, Col. Al Fairbrother's publication, will be discontinued with the next issue, December 15. The paper has been a success from the beginning and there is no reason for suspending publication except that the Colonel wants to quit. To be sure that is reason enough, as the Colonel is the whole thing in Everything, but we meant to say that the journal is not getting out of the game because of any lack of support. It has a large clientele of readers, and has, we understand, paid well from a financial standpoint. Everything will be missed for nothing can take its place. There is but one Colonel Fairbrother and no one could even imitate him in the slightest. His thousands of friends will hope that he may ere long get back into the business.—Raleigh Times.

TWINKLINGS.

—"I came in to see if I can get some fire insurance." "On your home?" "No, on my job."—Houston Post.

—"Why are women who figure in the press items invariably beautiful?" "To offset the newspaper cuts, I imagine."—Puck.

—DeSnail—I guess I'll have to say good night. Miss Weary—If it will help you along any I'll consider it said.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

—"Does your husband forget to mail the letters you give him?" "Never, I put them in his cigar case."—Cleveland Leader.

—She—Yes, whenever I see a man in a dark street I always run. He—And do you ever catch one of them?—Harper's Bazaar.

—Landlady—You will either have to pay what you owe or leave. Slowpay—Thanks. The last place I was at they made me do both.—Stray Stories.

—"Not a cent. Get along with you, or I'll call the police." "Gee!" ejaculated the mendicant, "dat must be one o' dem vicious rich. I've read about 'em."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

—"The women's hats are as big as houses now." "Well, maybe they won't have to have an entire new structure every year. Maybe they'll be satisfied just to add a wing."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—Insurance Agent—The hailstorm insurance is just as important as the insurance against loss by fire! Farmer—No, sir; I do not believe that. It is easy enough to have a fire, but to produce a hailstorm is impossible.—Fliegende Blaetter.

—Dolly—No, dear, I can't go any place with Molly. I hate her—the cat! Polly—But, darling, you used to be chummy with her. What did she do? Dolly—She told me a lot of nasty things you said about me dear.—Cleveland Leader.

—"What kind of pavement are you going to put along this street?" "Well, it is our intention—" "So that's the kind, is it? Great pluto! Why don't you move out of this neighborhood? You don't have to live here, do you?"—Chicago Tribune.

—Willie—And so you quarreled? Charley—Yes; she sent back all my presents. And what do you suppose I did? Willie—Can't guess. Charley—I sent her a half-dozen boxes of face powder, with a note explaining that I'd taken about that much home on my coat since I'd known her.—The Gossip.

—Marshville Home: Mr. J. A. Bennett, of West Marshville township, was seriously hurt yesterday by getting his clothing wound around a shaft at his machinery. He was standing near the shaft talking to somebody when his clothes, in some way, became entwined around it, whirling him over and over until the engine was stopped. No wounds of much consequence were inflicted, but his clothing was drawn so tightly around him just where the chest and abdomen join that his life was greatly endangered. Bruises on his right thigh were also sustained. Dr. W. A. Does treated the injured man and it is thought that he will recover.

—Greensboro Record: The Charlotte News publishes an interesting bit of political news. It is to the effect that Mr. L. C. Caldwell, a prominent lawyer of Statesville, has decided to seek the Democratic nomination for Congress in the eighth district two years hence. The News says that Mr. Caldwell is a forceful campaigner, a regular "rough and tumble" fighter; that the Democrats have no other intention than to redeem the eighth district from the Republicans' grasp in the next campaign, and Mr. Caldwell has many supporters who believe he is the man to do it.

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Woman's Curiosity.

"Woman's curiosity," said Mr. Fletcher, "is a quality of mind beyond human understanding."

"Yes," said Mrs. Fletcher. "What made you think of that?"

"The fool actions of a woman that I saw downtown today. She followed a man ten blocks just to get to read a placard that was fastened to his back. She spotted him at Thirty-fourth street. That was really the end of her trip—I made that out from something she said to another woman who was too fat to join in the chase—but when she caught sight of that flaming red poster tied to the man's back her curiosity got the better of her and she set out after him. He led her quite a chase across town and downtown and back again, but she never weakened. She tagged faithfully along in his wake, and finally she got close enough to read that notice."

Mrs. Fletcher reflected a moment.

"What did it say?" she asked.

"It advised her to get her teeth pulled somewhere on Sixth avenue."

Mrs. Fletcher thought again.

"Where were you all the time she was trying to find that out?"

"Me?" said Fletcher. "Oh, I was following the woman. I wanted to see if she finally caught up with the man."—New York Times.

The Porcelain Secret.

The porcelain industry of Germany is comparatively young, says the Berlin Morgen Post, and its development was rapid. Although it is generally believed that the Chinese kept their processes of manufacture secret, Julian's translations of their voluminous encyclopedia show that this is not true. All who could have read the work might have known also the porcelain secret. But evidently no German fathomed the mechanical mystery until the apothecary's apprentice Boettgar, 200 years ago, made the first German porcelain at Dresden. Some years before he had attracted attention by proclaiming the discovery of a method of changing base metal into gold. King Frederick I. gave him orders for the precious metal, which the sixteen-year-old inventor could not execute, and in fear he fled to Dresden and became a subject of King August the Strong. While endeavoring to make gold he discovered the porcelain secret and inscribed his door thus: "Into a potter was changed by Almighty God a man who thought he could make gold."

Brides and Wet Weather.

A Breton bride rather likes to have a wet wedding. It is held to signify that all her tears are now shed and that she will therefore have a happy married life. I know of no similar belief in the British Isles.

The Erza of Simbirsk call the day before the wedding the weeping day, and the bride and her girl friends weep all they can, with the idea, it would seem, of getting the mourning of life over so that only joy may remain.

The Badagas of the Neilgherries attain the same end by sousing the bride with water. Some Greek tribes have a similar belief in the virtue of a drenching bringing good fortune.

The Omnipresent Rose.

Every continent on the globe, with the exception of Australia, produces wild roses. There can be little doubt that the rose is one of the oldest flowers in the world, perhaps grown from the wind blown seeds in paradise. In Egypt it is depicted on numbers of early bas-reliefs, dating from 3000 to 3500 B. C. Rosewater, or the essence of roses, is mentioned by Homer in the "Iliad," and the flower is spoken of in the Proverbs of Solomon.

Truthful Cholly.

"Cholly, have you ever loved before?"

"My dear girl, I will be honest with you. I have been engaged so many times that my ex-fiancees have perfected an organization and adopted a yell."—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Must Have Been a Prize.

"But how could you tell, darling, that I had never proposed to any other girl?"

"Because you were not married," she murmured rapturously and admiringly.—Judge.

Nature's Warning.

Wilmington People Must Recognize and Heed It.

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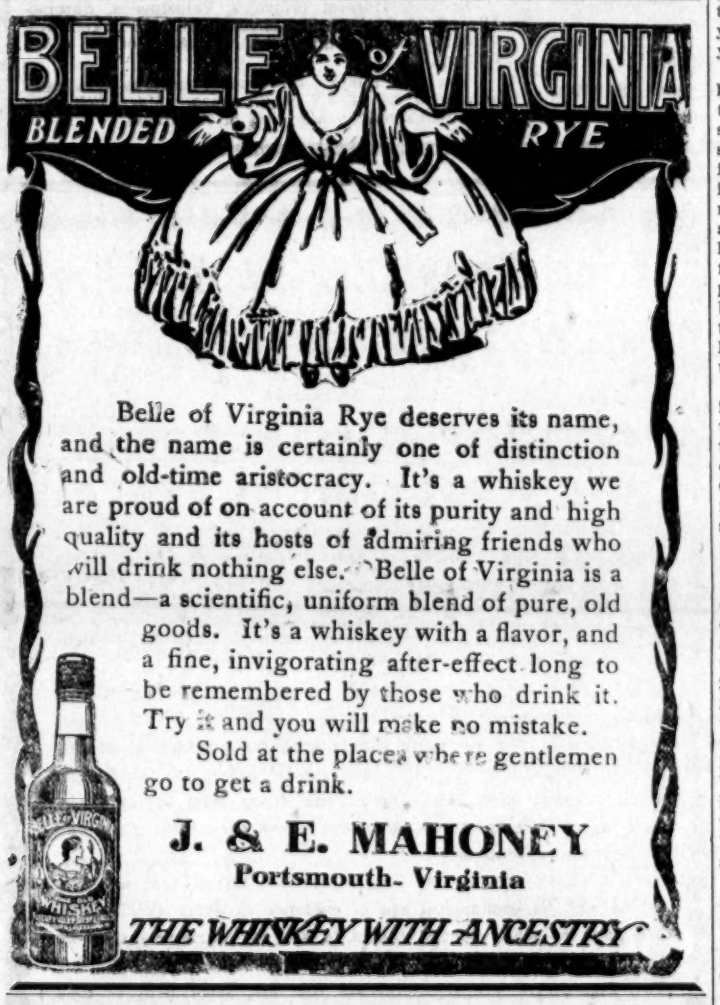

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OUR ERRATIC SENSES

Some of the Curious Facts Recorded by Physiologists.

THE PHENOMENA OF SOUND.

Squeals of Mice and the Lowest Notes of an Organ Are Inaudible to Some Persons—Peculiarities of the Delicate Sense of Smell.

If you shade the eyes, you weaken your sense of hearing. Try it with a watch and the result will surprise you. If you sip a glass of cold water, you will increase for a short time your power of vision. If you fill the mouth with water, you will greatly strengthen your sense of smell.

Many similar curious facts about the senses are told by physiologists.

There is a multitude of sounds made in the world every day, for instance, which we cannot hear, however close they may be. Every sound must last a certain time in order to be heard by the ear. If it is an extremely feeble sound it must last quite two seconds or we cannot hear it. But, no matter how long it lasts, we cannot hear it if it is a very low or a very high note. Extremely small animals emit such high notes that we never hear them. Some people cannot even hear the squeal of mice. The lowest notes of an organ are mere rumbling noises to most people, and some cannot hear them at all.

It is by means of the external ear we judge the direction from which sound comes. Stand facing a clock, place your hands in front of your ears, with the palms turned back, close your eyes; you will then think the clock is behind you.

Why can some animals smell more keenly than others? It is a question of the space within the nose capable of smelling. In man this space is very small—less than one-fourth of a square inch. In dogs and most mammals it is very much larger. The porpoise has no sense of smell. Then comes man, and also the monkeys, whales and all kinds of fowl and birds, with very feeble smelling power. When people talk of vultures scenting dead bodies they make a mistake. Lions, tigers, wolves, etc., can scent them at long distances, but vultures depend on their sense of sight.

The sense of smell is exceedingly delicate. If one ounce of musk were divided into 15,000,000,000 parts one of these infinitesimal parts would be perceptible by the average person's nose. On the other hand, many people have no power to smell some substances, such as mignonette, vanilla, violets and prussic acid.

Taste is curious in the fact that different parts of the tongue appreciate different flavors. At the tip we perceive sweet tastes best, at the sides acid tastes and at the back bitter tastes. Substances must be dissolved in order to be tasted, and a dry morsel in a dry mouth has no flavor. This is why smokers cannot taste well. Their mouth glands, which manufacture saliva, are paralyzed by the tobacco. Very hot or very cold things are scarcely tasted at all. If you want to get the best flavor from your food it must be at some temperature between 50 and 95 degrees.

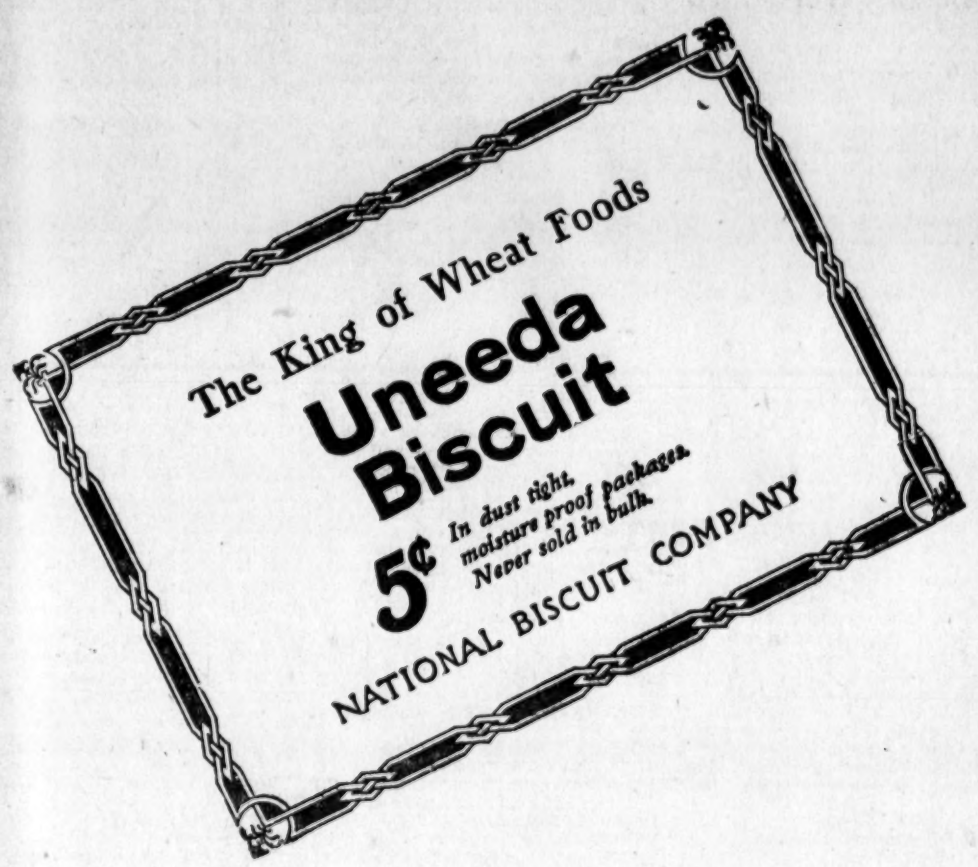
Every one knows how easily the sense of sight is deceived by optical puzzles. But a curious deception is practiced on us all throughout our lives, and no one ever perceives it. There is a blind spot in the eye where the optic nerve enters. In everything we look at, therefore, there is a little gap where we see nothing. But no one is aware of it, because it has been the case since we first opened our eyes.

In estimating distance we judge by the experience we gain in walking. The eye itself cannot judge distances. A near hill and a distant mountain will each form an image of the same size on the eye. We know the mountain is farther away than the hill because there are more intervening objects. But we can often make an estimate of distance, in a curious way, by the muscles of the eyeball. In order to focus a near object we must bulge the lens, and to focus a distant object we must flatten the lens. The amount of muscular labor used in doing this gives us an idea of the distance of the object.

A man seems much thinner in dark than in light clothing. All black things, in fact, appear smaller than white things of the same size. An image remains on the eye for some time after looking at an object. If the thing is very bright the image remains a long time, and sometimes if you look directly at the sun you will carry the image of it around with you for days.

Color blind people have a defective musical sense. They confuse different notes, and, curiously, the confusion of green blind people differs from the confusion of red blind people. Colors strengthen the sense of taste. Red apples and tomatoes and strawberries and green pickles taste better than the selfsame vegetables and fruit when they are paler.

For feeling we have a variety of nerves. Some spots on the skin feel pain, some warmth, some cold and some simple touch. The tip of the finger has a much better sense of touch than the forearm or the cheek. But the cheek and the forearm are far better judges of heat. In the white of the eye we can feel neither touch, heat nor cold—only pain alone—but the red lining of the eyelids can feel scarcely anything but cold. The mouth, as every one knows, can enjoy tea or coffee at a temperature that would give great pain to the hands or feet.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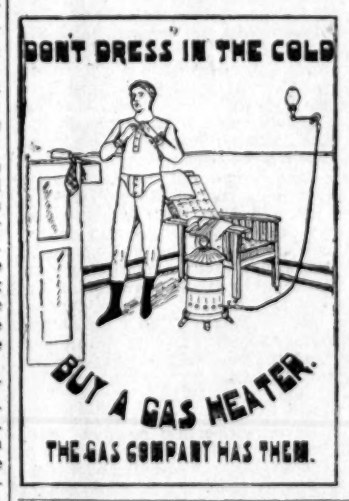

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WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 12, 1908.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Friday, Dec. 11th:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 51 degrees 8 P. M. 62 degrees; maximum 67 degrees; minimum 39 degrees; mean 53 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; for the month, .78 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville Wednesday at 8 A. M. 5.8 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Showers followed by fair Saturday; Sunday fair, moderate temperature, moderate southwest to west winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 12.

Sun Rises.....7:01 A. M.
Sun Sets.....4:46 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 50 min.
High water at Southport 11:12 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 12:45 A. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Palace Market—Hams.
E. Warren & Son—Fruit Cake.
Crystal Palace—For the Children.
J. M. Solky & Co.—Growing Some.
Hopkins & Davis—Dressed Turkey.
Schutt's Pharmacy—Special Music.
Academy of Music—James K. Hackett.

Business Locals.

For Sale—A Safe.
Wanted—Rooms.
W. W. Avant—All Persons.
Maryland Liquor Co.—For Sale.
Wanted—Position as Stenographer.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. H. L. Caison, of Ashe, Brunswick county, was here yesterday on a short business trip.

—Misses Mildred Hunt and Sadie Booker, are the guests of friends in Charlotte.

—Mr. H. Schulken, of Whiteville, spent yesterday in Wilmington and returned home last night.

—Jas. H. Scull, Esq., returned yesterday morning from a professional trip up the Carolina Central railroad.

—Mr. George Hutaff has returned from a business trip of several days in the eastern part of the State, at Newbern and other points.

—Capt. Robert Stocker, U. S. N., and Mrs. Stocker, of Washington, D. C., have arrived and are guests of Mrs. Stocker's sister, Mrs. Duncan M. Williams, No. 513 Market street.

SIGNED AMENDED ORDER.

Southern Interests of Rockingham Power Co., Win Further.

In the Superior Court yesterday Judge C. C. Lyon signed an amended order to that of Thursday in the case of Sheppard against Rockingham Power Company, not only restraining the voting trust from exercising any control over the common stock of the company and enjoining them from putting into effect the plan of reorganization complained of, but further ordering that at any and all meetings of the Rockingham Power Co., held or to be held after the date of the order and until the final hearing in the cause, all bona fide holders and owners of receipts mentioned in the fourth article of the complaint shall have the right to vote the number of shares represented by such receipts held by them upon all matters coming before any such meeting or meetings.

This is further extremely favorable to the North Carolina interests and will be in effect until the final hearing possibly not before next Spring or Fall. The holders of the voting trustees' certificates, a majority of which is held by Hugh MacRae & Co., and local investors, are allowed to vote these certificates and as the annual meeting of the company is held early in January when a board of Directors will be elected and they in turn will elect officers, it will be seen that the North Carolina interests will be in the saddle when a fair plan of reorganization provides money to complete the plant and the receivers are dismissed. This is very gratifying to the local interests in the big development enterprise which means so much for this section of the State.

TO DO MISSION WORK.

A. J. Willis, of Charleston, to Come to Wilmington Soon.

The Charleston Evening Post of Thursday afternoon has the following:

"A. J. Willis, 'friend of the hoboes,' and manager of the Free Shelter, is about to leave Charleston, and arrangements have been made for the Star Gospel Mission to take over the work, at its place on upper King street, closing up the building, used by Willis on Wentworth street.

"Mr. Willis goes to Wilmington, N. C., where he will probably open a similar establishment to give a home to the unemployed and conduct an institution along the lines that he has been following in the conduct of the Wentworth street place. The lack of funds is the reason given for closing up the institution in Charleston.

"The Star Gospel Mission proposes to enlarge the Free Shelter and improve it in many ways, adding to the usefulness of the institution. Mr. Willis is temporarily at the Star Gospel Mission place until he takes his departure from Charleston."

Had a Close Call.

Mrs. Ada L. Croom, the widely known proprietor of the Croom Hotel, Vaughn, Miss., says: "For several months I suffered with a severe cough, and consumption seemed to have its grip on me, when a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery. I began taking it, and three bottles affected a complete cure." The fame of this life saving cough and cold remedy, and lung and throat healer is world wide. Sold at R. R. Bellamy's drug store, 50c and $1.00 Trial bottle free.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Chimney burning out at Ninth and Green streets gave the Fire Department a long run for nothing in response to an alarm from box 19 yesterday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

—The many friends of Mr. A. H. Jones will be gratified to learn that he is able to be out again after having been confined to his home for about ten days with an attack of pneumonia.

—On account of unforeseen events and the approach of the Christmas holidays, the social event of the Baraca Class of the First Baptist Church has been indefinitely postponed from December 15th to some time in January.

—The rendition of the sacred cantata, "The Ten Virgins," by the choir of St. James' Episcopal church, on the evening of Thursday, December 17th, will be a musical event of much interest. The regular choir will be assisted by a number of other local musicians and the public will be invited.

—Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer says: "Mr. James C. Rush has returned from Gainesville, Fla., where he went to look after the estate left by his father the late Benjamin Rush. While not amounting to $50,000 as at first reported, the estate was found to be a considerable one, possibly in the neighborhood of $20,000."

NORTHEAST RIVER SQUADRON.

Wireless Dispatch From Commodore Haywood Clark's Fleet.

(By Wireless Via Rocky Point, N. C.)

Rocky Point, Dec. 11.—The steamer Dunlin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge bound to Wilmington, reports by wireless having spoken Commodore Haywood Clark's Northeast River Squadron 15 miles S. by S.W. Peggy's Island, Latitude —, Longitude unknown. Fleet at long range, rifle practice, movable target (a live didapper). After 300 rifle shells were exploded and no duck, Commodore Clark ordered Gatlin gun aft; said he blew her out; the didapper ducked and went under. Esprit de corps of officers and men at top notch. Living high. Menu for dinner today:

Woodpecker Soup
Coon Cutlets Fricaseed Rabbit
Biled Owl
Henry Shaw's Yam Potatoes
Northeast River Water.

The squadron goes out of commission Dec. 12th 2 P. M. and the officers and jackies will return home refreshed and invigorated with the cruise and with many souvenirs for their hosts of friends.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcement by Wilmington Pastors For Services Tomorrow.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Front and Queen streets, Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor: Services at 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M., tomorrow, Sunday School at 3 P. M. Mid-week service Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend any or all of these services.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner of Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor: Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. W. C. E. Society at 7 P. M.; Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public is cordially invited. Seats free.

First Presbyterian Church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., pastor: Services tomorrow, Sunday, at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:00. All welcome.

Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., expects to preach in East Wilmington tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

FREE TRADE ARGUED UPON

With Philippines at Conference on Tariff Revision.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—Free trade with the Philippines was one of the most important matters agreed upon by President-elect Taft and the Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee at yesterday's conference on tariff revision. While Mr. Taft favors free trade with the insular possessions, without any restrictions, it is understood that in order that there shall be no dissensions he has agreed that the amount of sugar and tobacco which should be allowed entry free of duty should be restricted.

With this end in view, it is understood that the sugar interests have agreed to a compromise by which 300,000 tons of sugar will be admitted from the Philippines annually free of duty and that all sugar over that amount will pay the present rate of duty which is 25 per cent. less than the duty imposed by the Dingly Tariff on sugar from other countries.

FANATIC WAS DESPERATE

Terrorized The Village Until He Was Shot Down by Citizens.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Edgewater, N. J., Dec. 11—Proclaiming himself "John The Baptist, Come to Save the World," an armed fanatic wrought up to a high pitch of maniacal fury terrorized this village for a full hour today appearing suddenly on the main street waving a big revolver, exchanging many shots with citizens and at last being wounded himself when brought to bay. In all the fusillade no one was hit but the maniac himself and his wounds are not regarded as dangerous.

From time to time he darted into a store and chasing out the clerk's rifled the money drawer. He seized a team and drove madly for a time finally alighting and facing a handful of armed citizens. There was a lively exchange of shots and Pomoroy dropped with wounds in the forehead and cheek.

For the murder of his wife six months ago George Joyner was hanged at Swainboro, Ga., yesterday. Although Joyner confessed several months ago that he killed his wife, during the last few weeks of his life he protested innocence and on the gallows yesterday reiterated his denial of the commission of the crime.

The Theatre

For the Academy's great star attraction of the season, and which is a star attraction even for New York. Tuesday night the distinguished actor, Mr. James K. Hackett, comes to the local theatre and will present a big scenic revival of his brilliant success, "The Prisoner of Zenda." This will be the most notable engagement of the season, or of any other season for that matter, and, no doubt, the Academy will be packed to the doors. The sale of seats will open Monday morning at Plummer's and all seats down stairs will be $2, save the last four rows, and which scale is the same as applies to Mr. Hackett's Broadway engagements, or any other.

It is a curious thing that of all the plays produced this season in New York, not even the newest of them received more praise from the critics than did James K. Hackett's revival of "The Prisoner of Zenda."

"It is a fine play, and still full of thrills," wrote Alan Dale in the 'N. Y. American,' "and hasn't lost any of its romantic charm."

"Good old Zenda," wrote Acton Davies in the "Evening Sun," "there haven't been any better plays produced in years."

"The Prisoner of Zenda," wrote William Bullock, in the 'N. Y. Press,' "will always be a classic, and the problem plays will never supplant it."

"The romantic drama," wrote William Winter, in the 'N. Y. Tribune,' "has never had a better exemplar than 'The Prisoner of Zenda,' which today is every bit as exciting and interesting as it was the night it was first produced."

Matinee for the Children.

The Crystal Palace this afternoon will introduce a delightful innovation and one that will be received with great glee by the little folks, because it will be especially for their benefit. The matinees this afternoon, the first one commencing promptly at 3:45 o'clock, will be for the youngsters. The price of admission will be 10 cents and two handsome presents are to be given away. It has been decided to give a pretty dollie to some lucky girl and an attractive toy will be presented to some fortunate lad. The bill this week is just such as the little folks will enjoy hugely. DeChaunt's trained dogs are among the features and never fail to greatly delight the little ones. Then Rezetta and Lyman do a comedy acrobatic act that will make the "kids" yell with joy, while the other acts will also please them beyond measure. The matinees this afternoon promise to be "rousers."

"The Dumb Witness."

The Bijou will offer as a big Saturday bill two new films of high class moving pictures today, "The Dumb Witness" and "In the Days of the Pilgrim Fathers," both by the Vitagraph Company of America. "The Dumb Witness' is the story of a rich young girl, suddenly reduced to poverty and turned from her mansion, releasing her lover from an engagement. She takes employment with a rich matron as maid. A monkey is a pet in the household and is left quietly sleeping on the bed while the lady of the house and the maid drive away. Returning a valuable jewel case is missing and the girl is charged with the theft and thrown into jail. A moving picture crew is making films n front of the house and at the tral the young lawyer defendng the prisoner is her former lover and dramatically presents in the court room a motion picture of the monkey stealing away the jewels and hiding them. "In the Days of the Pilgrim Fathers" is an Indian and love story romance that is quite touching and thrilling. Both films are exceptionally good.

May Robson Last Night.

Miss May Robson and an exceptionally clever supporting company gave supreme delight to an audience, which, though not large, was entirely responsive and sympathetic in an excellent production of "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary" at the Academy last evening. The piece fairly scintillates with bright lines and clever situations and Miss Robson and her support were clearly equal and more to each and everyone of them. The company goes this morning to Fayetteville and from that city back to New York from which point the season will be concluded.

ATTEMPT AT BRIBERY

In the New York-Chicago Championship Baseball Games.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—The National League of Baseball Clubs today appointed a committee of four of its members to investigate reports by Umpires, Klem and Johnstone that an attempt was made to bribe them at the New York-Chicago game played at the New York Polo grounds on October 8th. The committee consists of John T. Brush, President of the New York Club, chairman; Charles H. Ebbetts, August Hermann and President Harry C. Pulliam of the National League. The names of the men who are alleged to have attempted bribery were not disclosed.

SANITARIUM FOR PYTHIANS.

To Be Located in New Mexico For Consumptives.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Dr. G. G. McConnell, medical examiner in chief of the Knights of Pythias, announced today that it has been formally decided that a sanitarium for tuberculosis patients affiliated with the order shall be established in New Mexico. The cottages and other buildings, when sufficient funds have been collected from members of the order, will be erected on a large tract of land near Las Vegas donated for the cause by New Mexico lodges.

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TROUBLE FOR VENEZUELA

Intention of Netherlands' Government. Conditions Threatening.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Willemstead, Curacao, Dec. 11.—The government of the Netherlands has no intention of being negligent in the matter of blockade of the Venezuelan coast inaugerated by three of its warships last week.

The battleship Jacob van Heemskerk and the cruiser Gelderland left here this morning at 11 o'clock for Venezuelan waters. They have been cleared for action. It is belived that they will demonstrate off LaGuaira. Furthermore they probably will begin seizing Venezuelan merchant vessels, thus putting a stop to the trade between Venezuelan ports.

A clash between the warships and the coastal forts of Venezuela is liable to follow any radical action, because the government at Caracas has expressed its intention of firing on the Dutch ships at the first "unfriendly act."

TRAGEDY AT NORFOLK

Lad Carried Out Childish Threat And Killed Girl With Gun.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 11.—Elizabeth Keller Merrick, eleven years old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Merrick was shot and instantly killed by Luther Andrews, 14 years old, while the pair, with other children were playing under a shed near their home in South Norfolk, late this afternoon. Andrews and a boy named Jones armed with single barrelled guns, pointed the weapons at several girls with the usual childish threat to shoot. Andrews' weapon was discharged the contents lodging under the right shoulder of Elizabeth Merrick, penetrating her lungs. She dropped to the sidewalk dying instantly.

Andrews was held in $500 bond after a coroner's jury had declared the tragedy was the result of gross carelessness.

WARM WIRELETS.

President Roosevelt has appointed Joseph B. Cumming, of Augusta, Ga., to be a member of the Chickamauga National Military Park Commission to fill the vacancy caused by the death of General Stewart.

Two members of the family of Geo. VanHorn, of Mendenhall, Chester county, Pa., are dead, and three others are ill as the result of ptomaine poisoning caused by sausage procured from a local grocery store.

The Virginia delegation to the National Rivers and Harbors Congress has formed an organization entitled "The Virginia Harbors and Waterways Association," and permanent headquarters will be established in Norfolk.

John F. Schulte, aged 38, former paying teller of the First National Bank, of Racine, Wis., was sentenced yesterday to five years at Fort Leavenworth by Judge Quarles. Schulte embezzled $15,000, pleaded guilty and asked for leniency. Five years is the minimum penalty.

HOW TO PREVENT PNEUMONIA.

In every paper you pick up you will see where some good man has just died with this fearful disease pneumonia. Now we will give you one hundred dollars for any case of pneumonia that it fails to cure in your family, if you will use goose grease liniment as directed. It only costs you 25 cents a bottle, get it you have nothing to lose and all to gain, we know there are thousands who will read this and throw it aside and in a few days will be down with the disease. Please just get one bottle and put it away until you need it. If you haven't the money to buy it let us know and we will send you bottle free.

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Christmas presents in the staple line, things that are useful as well as ornamental are in evidence in every Department. We have so many special things to sell for Christmas that we have been for quite a while getting our stock on display. The Toy Department proper represents the best assortment of toys even been shown in Wilmington. I would thank every customer that buys Christmas toys to begin to make their selections, as when it gets late in the season the store gets so thoroughly crowded and packed that we can not give you the attention we wish to. Mothers wishing Santa Clause to come to their homes should leave their address with us and we will be sure to deliver their message to him in person.

Our Big Clothing Store

has lots of things in the way of presents. In the way of the new long wool sweater jacket for men, the little boys' sweaters, and a big assortment of boys' suits, some special values in men's Overcoats.

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THE BLARNEY STONE.

An Old Legend Tells How It Found Its Way to Ireland.

THE MAGIC OF KISSING IT.

Origin of the Quaint Belief That It Imparts to the Lips That Touch It the Power to Utter Honeyed, Coaxing and Delusive Speeches.

The blarney stone takes its name from the village of Blarney, in County Cork, Ireland, near which stand the ruins of the famous Blarney castle, dating back to the fifteenth century, and the groves of Blarney, which enjoy an equally wide reputation. A rivulet flowing through them bears the same name. The name Blarney is from the Irish "blairne," a little field, the Gaelic form being "blair" or "blar," a plain. The village is four miles northwest of Cork and has a few hundred inhabitants. In the groves of Blarney stands the ruined castle, in one tower of which is the world famous stone, the kissing of which is reputed to endow one with the gift of coaxing, wheedling and flattering.

The true stone is declared to be one in the castle wall, a few feet below the summit of the tower. To reach and osculate it it is necessary for one to be held over the parapet by the heels. But so many persons traveling in the Emerald Isle desire to report that they have kissed the real blarney stone that one in the top of the wall is held to be sufficiently near the real thing for the fiction to be maintained that it is the true stone with all the powers of the original. And even to aged and infirm persons one near the castle entrance is declared to be the original. On the true stone, near the top of the tower, a half effaced inscription reads, "Cormack McCarthy Fortis Me Fieri Facit, A. D. 1446."

Of the blarney stone Father Prout, the Irish poet, declared that it was the palladium of liberty for Erin. He describes the stone and relates a number of legends regarding it, one that it was brought to the island by the Phoenicians, who are reputed to have colonized the region, and that it had long been in the custody of the Carthaginians, who from it gained the reputation for insincerity which is transmitted in the phrase "Punic faith," and that before that it belonged to the Syrians, who were credited with speaking with double tongues after kissing it. According to the story, some Carthaginian adventurers became enamored of the stone and appropriated it. They set sail for Minorca, but, being overtaken by a storm, were driven into the harbor of Cork and left the stone in that vicinity until it was made use of in the construction of the donjon tower of Blarney castle.

As to the origin of the belief in regard to the qualities secured by kissing the stone, Crofton Croker says that in 1602, when the Spaniards were urging the Irish chieftains to harass the English, the owner of the castle, Cormack McDermod McCarthy, who then occupied it, concluded an armistice with the lord president on condition of surrendering it to an English garrison. But he put him off from day to day with specious statements, fair promises and false pretexts until the lord president became the laughingstock of the ministers of Queen Elizabeth, and the boneyed and delusive speeches of the lord of the castle became known as mere "blarney."

The word found its way into literature in the last century. In the "Journal" of Caroline Fox, which appeared in 1835, there is this use of the word: "Mme. de Stael was regretting to Lord Castlereagh that there was no word in the English language which answered to their 'sentiment.' 'No,' he said, 'there is no English word, but the Irish have one that corresponds exactly—blarney.'" Samuel Lover wrote "The blarney's so great a deceiver" in one of his Irish novels. President James Buchanan wrote, "The general has yet to learn that my father's countrymen (I have ever felt proud of my descent from an Irishman), though they themselves do blarney others, are yet hard to be blarneyed themselves." Washington Irving in "The Traveler" wrote, "So he blarneyed the landlord." James Russell Lowell in "The Fable For Critics" says:

The cast clothes of Europe your statesmanship tries
And mumbles again the old blarneys and lies.

The name of the old time castle and town has added a noun, a verb, an adjective and a participle to the language. The most comprehensive definition of the noun "blarney" is "exceedingly complimentary language; flattery; smooth, wheedling talk; pleasing cajolery." As to the origin of the word, one lexicographer quotes Grote as crediting the derivation of it from the phrase "licking the blarney stone," "applied to incredible stories told of climbing to a stone very difficult of access in a castle of that name in the county of Cork, Ireland." But he added that Dr. Jamieson derives it from the French "balwerne," "a lie; frivolous talk," and defines it "gross flattery; unmeaning or vexatious discourse (Low)." But the word seems to have outgrown this restricted meaning since the latter part of the eighteenth century. Every Irishman south of the Liffey is popularly supposed to have kissed the blarney stone, and if, moreover, he has had a dip in the Shannon he is reputed to have the requisite amount of impudence, or what the natives call "civil courage."—New York Tribune.

Fate and the ...Seashell.

By INA WRIGHT HANSON.

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Just before the lunch hour there had been great excitement around the casino at Santa Cruz. Jeannette Washburn had been last of the bathers to leave the surf and in her usual reckless manner had started to swim to the raft after she was tired enough to leave the water. She made the raft all right, but halfway back she went under.

Patricia, on the pleasure pier, had given the alarm, and two men put out in a boat. Before they bore their dripping burden up the pier steps a crowd had gathered from all directions. The beach policeman had come running to press them back and allow the men to hurry through with the half drowned girl.

Then the crowd dispersed, except Patricia, who had given the alarm. When one walks always with a crutch it is better not to walk in a crowd. So she waited till the pier was deserted and she had found that Jeannette would recover. Then she went home.

Usually Patricia's slow steps were not wearisome to her, for the beauty of the hills kept her company, the flowers along the way were her friends, and the voice of the ocean said to her many things, but today she saw neither hills nor flowers, and she heard nothing but her own heart's cry, "Ernest Wentworth loves Jeannette!"

She had heard it yesterday, and a glimpse of his white face in the crowd today confirmed the rumor that he was going to marry Jeannette Washburn. She had said it over and over in the night watches, waging war with her own eager heart and telling it to be ashamed for giving its love unasked.

When she saw Jeannette near to drowning she was wild to plunge in and swim out to her and save her, and not for Jeannette's own sake.

Even in her impulse she recognized her motive—not for Jeannette's sake, but for his. She would make the supremest sacrifice of her unrequited love, and she would do a heroic deed because of it. But even this was denied her.

"Everything is denied a cripple," she thought with unwonted bitterness as she reached her father's gate. "If I were like other girls he might have chosen me!"

Late in the afternoon, in the brief hours between dinner and the gay life of the evening, when she knew the casino would be almost deserted, she went back to sit on the steps and look silently seaward.

Away to the horizon were fishing boats and a pleasure yacht, its white sails gleaming silver in the sun. Nearer the shore showed the dark hulk of the buoy, and nearer still the sea birds diving and dipping.

All this was on the sea. On the sand was a lone figure, a woman in a faded green dress, its skirts held ungracefully up from the kelp as she walked the damp sands gathering seashells.

Patricia, watching her drearily, saw her pick up one, look at it carefully, then put it in her jacket pocket. The next she threw away, perhaps because of flaw or break or lack of luster.

"Dreaming?" said a voice very pleasant to Patricia's ears, and Wentworth sat down beside her.

It only made it the harder to have him kind to her. Did a crumb ever do a particle of good when one was starving for the whole loaf? Poor Patricia! Still, as he was there, and as he was not saying anything more, she must make talk. Any kind of talk was better than silence, so she spoke of what she had been thinking.

"Yonder is fate." She pointed to the shell gatherer. "Choosing, rejecting; blessing, cursing. Oh, poor little thrown away shells!"

She had tried to make her words sound light, but the man heard the note of pain. He bent toward her, and his voice was very kind.

"I have known you a year," he said, "and I never saw you morbid before. But you are morbid now. You are tired. The excitement this morning was too much for you."

"Yes," she acknowledged. "I was on the pleasure pier when Jeannette went down. I had a wild desire to plunge in and save her and have my picture in the paper afterward. I wanted to be the star of the matinee, you see, and this creation of board and pad would not let me."

She smiled whimsically down at the crutch and up at him. She was glad he could not read her thoughts. She would be very gay—if he did not stay too long.

Perhaps Wentworth could not read her thoughts, but he could see that her eyes were tired, and he looked at them and at the sweet, sensitive mouth in the way that a lover looks.

"Patricia, I know of a golden country in which lives a golden lady—not golden haired, for her hair is dark as yours, but having a heart of gold and a spirit of tried gold. Her eyes are dark, too—let me see how dark, Patricia."

The caress in his tones made her tremble. He meant only to be kind—if he could have known the anguish—but she raised her eyes obediently to his for an instant and smiled at him. She was a very brave Patricia, this crippled girl.

"Just as dark and beautiful as yours, Patricia. Well, this golden lady would have gone out into the great world to do lots of great things, but circumstances forced her to stay in her own domains. So, instead of being disconsolate because she could not do what she would do, she sang a little song of contentment, and one, heart sore and weary with much suffering of mind and body, heard it and sought out the way of peace. Know the little old bedridden woman down by the river, Patricia?"

Wentworth smiled at the girl's flushing cheeks and went on:

"Then I knew of a boy in this golden country whose body was crippled and whose mind was growing into a very unlovely state because of thwarted ambitions. To him the little lady showed the way into a land of high ideals and earnest endeavors. The boy is a good boy now and will make a great man some day.

"Then there are the children. Generally they are very much in the way when a fellow wants to talk to the golden lady. They bring her burnished popples and treasures of seaweed. Why? Oh, nothing, only she mends dolls, binds up bruises on soft little hands and"—

Patricia raised her head in protest. It was fine of him to praise her, but she could not bear it. She must go.

His hand went out and stayed her, as she would have risen.

"Wait, dear, there is more. One day a man came riding down the country lane, and he saw the golden lady and wanted her. You wouldn't blame a man for craving the sunshine, would you, sweetheart?"

Patricia went white around the lips.

"But I thought you were going to marry Jeannette Washburn!"

"My cousin is going to marry Jeannette Washburn, and I am going to marry you, I hope. Am I, Patricia?"

Fate in the green dress was coming toward them, and Patricia saw that her eyes were very kind. She threw down a shell and, passing them, went up the steps and through the casino.

"Get it for me, please, Ernest," she said.

And when he had given her the shell, iridescent and of pleasing form, but having a cruel break in its fluted edge, she touched it lightly to her lips and raised her happy face to her lover.

"Dear, blessed, discarded little shell!" she cried.

Even Freshmen Think.

The people who don't think for themselves are like sheep. The ram jumps over a certain stone in the wall, and all the sheep jump over the same stone. That may be the best place to get over the wall, but whether it is or not the sheep do it just the same. Initiative is a rare quality. Sheep haven't much initiative. To have initiative you must do your own thinking. At the law school of a big university years ago there occurred a striking example of initiative. One of the professors devised a system for improving the curriculum. He demonstrated that his method would double the efficiency of the instruction. He went over his plans exhaustively with his leading colleagues on the faculty. They all agreed that it was a great idea. Finally there was called a mass meeting of faculty and students for the purpose of presenting and indorsing the new system. The professor described before the meeting the many and great advantages of his scheme. When he sat down, as a matter of form the chairman called for remarks before taking a vote. A first year man whom no one knew got up and began very quietly to point out objections—serious objections. All eyes were turned upon this presumptuous upstart. What did he know about it? Not much, perhaps, but he knew enough to do his own thinking. When he had finished speaking the new system was voted down, never to be heard of again.—Appleton's Magazine.

Milton and "Paradise Regained."

After some common discourses had passed between us he (Milton) called for a manuscript of his, which, being brought, he delivered to me, bidding me take it home with me and read it at my leisure and when I had done so return it to him with my judgment. When I came home and had set myself to read it I found it was that excellent poem which he entitled "Paradise Lost."

After I had, with the best attention, read it through I made him another visit and returned to him his book. He asked me how I liked it and what I thought of it, which I modestly but freely told him, and after some further discourse about it I pleasantly said to him, "Thou hast said much here of paradise lost, but what hast thou to say of paradise found?"

He made no answer, but sat some time in a muse, then broke off that discourse and fell upon another subject, so when "Paradise Regained" was written Milton said in a pleasant tone, "That is owing to you, for you put it into my head by the question you put to me at Chalfont, which before I had not thought of."—"History of Thomas Ellwood."

The Mathematical Mind.

A literary worker who wished to do a large amount of reading by proxy advertised for an assistant capable of digesting the contents of a tremendous quantity of books in a very short while. While weighing each applicant's qualifications for rapid assimilative reading he inquired carefully into his mathematical acquirements. He finally chose the man who was most skillful at untangling arithmetical problems. "On the surface that seems an unnecessary accomplishment in this case," he said, "but experience has taught me that anybody who is expert in figures can read any kind of literature put before him with greater accuracy and speed than the person lacking in mathematical acumen."—New York Times.

Kaffir Greeting.

"Saku bona" are the first words a stranger learns of the Kaffir vocabulary. The expression is the common form of salutation used by the natives, and its literal translation is, "I see you." It is considered a mark of respect not to give the greeting immediately, the delay showing the reverence in which the native holds his visitor.

Experience Contribution.

Poetic Friend—Some one says a baby in the house is a wellspring of joy.

Exasperated Young Parent—Well, don't you believe it. As an element of enjoyment a baby in the house is a screaming farce.—Baltimore American.

Dear, Innocent Thing!

Hubby (while dressing)—That confounded trial balance was running in my head all night. Wifey—John, you must tell the manager, and maybe he will give you extra pay for working overtime.—Boston Transcript.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to your Place of Business or Residence for Advertisements for our Business Locals Department. 'Phone the Star office, No. 51.

Rates—25 cents for each insertion of twenty-five words, or less. Additional words, more than twenty-five, one cent per word in advance.

The A. D. T. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co., or for Notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charges for the telegrams, and but a small charge for notes. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone 2. But for Advertisements always call the Star office, 'Phone 51.

ALL PERSONS wanting a situation in cotton mill at Lumberton, N. C., will please call on me. Good wages. Healthy town. W. W. Avant, 117 South Water street. de 12-2t*

FOR SALE—Second hand safe cheap. Weight 1,000 pounds. 'Phone 214 for information. dec 12-2t.

WANTED—By young lady, position by January 1st, as stenographer. Has had experience. References furnished. Address "F." care of Star. de 12-3t.

FOR SALE—An old established liquor firm in Baltimore, Md. In existence more than 70 years. Suitable for wholesale or retail trade and admirably adapted for mail order business. Elevator service. Address Maryland Liquor Co., 414-16 North Gay street, Baltimore, Md. de 12-3t.

WANTED—Two or three furnished or unfurnished rooms, suitable for light housekeeping. Call 'phone No. 1064. de 12-1t*

WILL SELL or exchange for real estate, bank stock or live stock, high grade touring car, fully equipped and in perfect condition. Address Box 16, City. nov 29 dec 6 12*

FOR SALE—One sorrel horse, weighing 1,400 pounds, 7 years old; well broke, kind and gentle, sound in every way. Will sell or exchange for two smaller horses. This horse too large for our purpose. Address C. M. Faircloth, Clinton, N. C. dec 11 4w

A CENTRALLY Located, thoroughly modern residence, with immediate possession, for rent. No. 16 North Fourth street. Apply to J. G. Wright & Son or S. A. Schloss. dec 10 4t

THE FINEST RESIDENTIAL lot in the City of Wilmington is now offered for sale at a very reasonable figure. The southeast corner of Fifth and Dock streets. High ground, good neighbors; just the right distance from down town and in every way desirable. An opportunity cannot be neglected. If you want a location for a home this is the place. J. G. Wright & Son, real estate agents, 124 Princess street. dec 9 4t

NICELY FURNISHED or unfurnished rooms with or without board. Privilege of bath and 'phone. Carolina House, 414 1-2 North Front street. de 9-6t.

THE OLD RELIABLE, the Wilmington Pressing Club, is still running at the old stand on Second street. Others come and go, but the old Wilmington comes and stays. de 5-tf.

FOR RENT—A nice five-room cottage with acre of ground, on Castle Hayne road, one-fourth of mile from city. P. Q. Moore. de 5-1w.

FOR SALE—A gentle combination, horse, runabout and harness. Apply to Moses Bear, 18 Market street. dec 4 tf

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS — Overhauled, repaired and tuned. Work guaranteed. Address Geo. Haar, 315 South Fifth street. dec 2 eod 1m

UPHOLSTERING, repairing, varnishing, at 114 1-2 Dock street. 'Phone No. 1465. Carolina Upholstering Company, P. J. Breen, manager. de 6 tf

LUMBER AT RETAIL—Grades and prices right. See us before buying. Angola Lumber Co. aug 30 tf

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

BOARDING—Permanent and Transient. Best location in city. Meals to suit the business men. Strictly up to date. Harnett House, 110 Princess St Hot and cold baths. Phone No. 713. sep 22-tf

CABBAGE PLANTS—Garden plants grown in the open air will stand the coldest Winter. Price one to four thousand $1.50, four to nine thousand $1.25, over nine thousand $1 per thousand F. O. B. Meggetts, S. C. We have special express rates. Write us for agent's outfit and proposition. N. H. Blitch Co., Meggetts, S. C. The largest truck farm in the world. dec 9 eod jan 1.

OYSTERS—At 121 1-2 South Front street, you can get oysters roasted, stewed, fried or New River on the half shell, which we deliver in the neighborhood. J. W. Scott. de 6-6t*

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

PHOTOGRAPHS—Visit the U. C. Ellis Studio for bright, clear, artistic photographs that don't fade. At reasonable prices. dec 3 tf

FOR SALE—A four-room cottage, in center of city on car line. Has gas, water, electric lights and telephone. Splendid neighborhood. Address "B. S. W." care of Star office. noc 25-tf.

THE GILBERT HOUSE—Combines home comforts with hotel conveniences. Front and Princess streets; junction of all cars. Cars to depot. Steam heat, electric light and hot water. Table equals the best and rates reasonable. Transient $1.25 to $1.50 per day. Rates to regular and table boarders. oct 25 tf

DELMONICO CAFE—Blue Point oysters on half shell and quail on toast. de 1-1m

DAVID'S

MERRY XMAS

Suggestions for "Him"

SUIT, OVERCOAT, RAIN COAT, BATH ROBE, SUSPENDERS, UMBRELLA, SHIRTS, GLOVES, NIGHT ROBES, UNDERWEAR, HANDKERCHIEFS, HOUSE COAT, HOSIERY, MUFFLER, TIES, ETC.

What to give him for Christmas is a problem we solve many times a day.

Our store being headquarters for Men's things, the question is very easily answered. For men, both Old and Young, Great and Small, we've ideal gifts—just the sort of gifts that will be appreciated the most, after Christmas is over.

From our stock of Men's excellent Garments, correct Headwear and choice Haberdashery the most appropriate Christmas gifts, it is possible to make, can be chosen.

Make your selections early, while the picking is the best. Better now than later.

You'll find our prices no barrier to choosing exactly what you'd like to give "Him."

HART SCHAFFNER & MARX CLOTHING.
JOHN B. STETSON HATS.

THE A. DAVID CO.

TAILORS, CLOTHIERS, HATTERS AND HABERDASHERS.

Remember, that we are now in our New Home, 212 North Front Street.

dec 6tf

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The Shoe That Satisfies

$3.50 and $4.00 at

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NEXT TO MURCHISON BANK.

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Our Comfort Shoes never fail to bring comfort to troubled feet. Two styles and two leathers,

$4.00

WE FIT THE FEET,

Hewlett & Price

109 MARKET STREET.

The McKay Sulky Stalk Cutter

We have accepted the agency for the McKay Famous Stalk Cutter and one is on exhibition now at our sales room at our office on North Water street. They are great money savers, and it will pay all those who are interested to call and see this machine.

Also a full line of Groceries. Get our prices.

D. L. GORE COMPANY

Wholesale Grocers and Importers. Wilmington, N. C.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Salisbury Post: Twenty-five Southern Railway conductors are now being voted for in The Washington Herald's contest to determine the most popular conductor on the system and Captain F. E. Brown, of Spencer, is eighth with 50,196 votes.

—Goldsboro Argus: In the recent issues of the Louisville, Ky., papers, there were published numerous accounts of the evangelistic work done by Rev. J. T. Edmundson, of Raleigh, well known in Goldsboro. He is doing a great work, and has received a call to Aalanta.

—Sampson Democrat: The 20 road construction bonds, of $500 each, were sold here last Monday, as per advertisement. They were readily taken, bringing $10.00 above par on the whole. The bonds draw 5 per cent interest; the interest payable in January and July of each year. They run for 10 years.

—Winston Sentinel: The certificate of dissolution of the Salem Water Supply Company was recorded at the court house yesterday, it being issued by the secretary of state on the petition of all the stockholders of the corporation. This is one of the city's oldest incorporated companies, its charter being issued on the 28th of November 1877.

—Winston Journal: While playing too near the fire Monday afternoon the clothes of the little two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holland who reside at Lewisville and about twelve miles from this city, caught fire and before the parents could extinguish the flames the little one was burned so badly that death followed a few hours afterwards.

—Salisbury Post: A burglar was shot at by Mrs. J. K. Link as the intruder climbed a tree and leaped into a second-story window of Mrs. Link's home. Two shots were fired at the robber as he fled, and made good his escape. Hearing the report of Mrs. Link's revolver, Mrs. J. M. Maupin, a neighbor, rushed to the scene with pistol in hand and fired twice at the fleeing burglar.

—Fayetteville Observer: The condition of Mr. John H. Ledbetter, who was operated on for appendicitis in Richmond last night, is reported today to be slightly improved, though he is still critically ill. He suffered a violent attack of appendicitis a few days ago and was accompanied from Rocky Mount to Richmond by his brother, Mr. W. B. Ledbetter, of this city.

—Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 9.—While supposed to have been in an intoxicated condition Luther Thompson, a young white man of Inman, fell from his buggy, his head catching on the dashboard, and he was strangled to death. He was found in the buggy in his lot after he had come from a trip to North Carolina, and it is believed that he fell from his buggy while drunk.

—Charlotte News: The new Sanatorium, whose opening was celebrated yesterday and last evening, is another institution of which Charlotte is justly proud. Cost of the new hospital is about $125,000 and in every respect it is a model, up-to-date and well equipped. Officers presiding over it are capable, and the new institution is certain to be successful and fruitful of much good.

—A called meeting of the North Carolina National Guards' Association will be held in Greensboro December 28-29. There are more than one hundred officers of the State Guards who are expected to attend this meeting and the members of the Gate City Guards are planning to give the visiting military a royal time. At this meeting steps will be taken to have the annual meeting of the association for '09 held in that city.

—Lenoir News: H. W. Mason, recruiting officer for the United States army, who has had his headquarters in Lenoir for several months, left Saturday for Charlotte. Mr. Mason has examined and sent from this place to the United States army twenty-three persons, twenty-one of them passing the army registration examination and being received into the United States army. Thirteen of these men went to the coast artillery the others going into the infantry.

—Greenville Reflector: Monday night a mule belonging to Mr. B. P. Cobb, about eight miles from Greenville, was taken with colic. The animal broke out of the stable and took the road for Greenville. Upon reaching town he turned up Dickinson avenue and stopped in from af the office of Dr. Laughinghouse. Seeing nobody around the office, the mule laid down right there and died. Now, the question is, was that mule looking for the doctor? Several persons on the street saw the mule stop in front of the doctor's office.

—Monroe Journal: The earnest efforts now being made by the citizens of Charlotte to get their town out of the old slipshod, petty politics, style of government, is to be highly commended and to be watched with great interest by other North Carolina towns practically all of which need an injection of some life-giving virus. Charlotte has taught us many good things and if she can now take the lead in a real revolutionary reform of municipal government her example will be a benefit to the whole State.

Where Bullets Flew.

David Parker, of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done is worth more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach tronble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

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A medical writer says: Baker's pure cocoa acts as a gentle stimulant, invigorating and correcting the action of the digestive organs, furnishing the body with some of the purest elements of nutrition.

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NO SAILING

Only in a canoe by myself. $1.00 to $1.25 Shirts at 69 cents.

TAYLOR THE TAILOR

Next to Elks' Temple, North Front street.

dec 5 tf

A HAPPY NEW YEAR is in store for you if you will have that old carriage of yours repaired and refinished by J. O. Brown. In its glory of new paint and varnish it will look like a new one, and furnish you just as much satisfaction.

J. O. BROWN

13 N. Third Street. Phone 284.

dec 10 tf

For Sale

The entire stock and general merchandise of M. T. Hinson, deceased, amounting to $12,000.00 or $15,000.00, together with the good will of said business, will be sold at Rockingham, N. C., on Saturday, December 12th, 1908, at 10 o'clock A. M., in the store of the said M. T. Hinson, dec'd.

The stand goes with the stock, this is one of the best stocks of general merchandise in North Carolina and one of the most prosperous businesses in the State and the best and most successful stand in the town of Rockingham.

Sold on account of death of proprietor.

R. E. L. GRAHAM, Adm'r.

de 10-2t. Rockingham, N. C.

REMOVAL

Ed. Guion, the Barber, has removed to 121 Market street, where he will be pleased to see all of his old customers and many new ones.

GUION, The Barber.

STOP AND THINK!

Christmas Is Coming

and you will probably need a new SUIT, HAT or some GENTS FURNISHING. We have them in the latest styles and lowest prices. We don't ask you to buy but only ask you to call and see for yourself.

SUITS FROM.....$8.00 TO $25.00
HATS FROM.....$1.00 TO $5.00

Children's Clothing also. Suits made to measure. Fit Guaranteed.

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The Hatter and Clothier

24 NORTH FRONT STREET.

dec 6tf

STATEMENT CONDITION THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business Nov. 27, 1908.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$2,574,534 92
N. C. State and other Bonds		188,004 25
U. S. Bonds (at par		550,000 00
Bank Buildings		55,000 00
Cash		1,228,698 18
		$4,596,237 35

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 550,000 00
Surplus and Net Profits		298,134 69
Circulation		550,000 00
U. S. Bond Account		100,000 00
Deposits		3,098,102 66
		$4,596,237 35

H. C. McQUEEN, President.
J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President
J. W. YATES, Vice President.
C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.

The best Christmas present is something for the home.

The best thing for the home is an Edison Phonograph. Nothing makes home so inviting and so popular as this great and versatile entertainer.

You have a choice of seven models.

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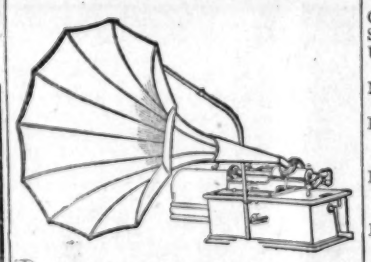

J. W. Robinson & Co.

205 Princess Street.

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SPEEDOMETERS $15 in stock at THE AUTO CO.

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New Goods

A New and Complete Line of Groceries, partly:

500 bags Rice, all grades.
200 bbls large Mullets.
200 bbls Corn Mullets.
200 bags Green Coffee.
25 bbls Mott's Cider.
50 bbls. Vinegar.

Samuel Bear, Sr., & Sons

18 MARKET STREET.

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Scenic Route to the West.

Two Fast Vestibule Trains With Dining Car Service.

Through Pullman Sleepers to Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis.

Lv. Richmond	2:00 P. M.	11:00P.M
Ar. Cincinnati	8:25 A. M.	5:00 P. M
Ar. Chicago	5:30 P. M.	7:10 A. M
Ar. St. Louis	6:45 P. M.	7:18 A. M
Ar. Louisville	11:30 A.M.	2:00 P.M

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The line to the celebrated mountain resorts of Virginia.

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Wholesale Grocer.

Report of the Condition of

The Southern National Bank, at Wilmington, in the State of N. C., at the close of business, November 27th, 1908.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts		$ 957,110.34
Overdrafts secured and unsecured		3,740.29
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		200,000.00
Other Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		66,690.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		4,550.35
Bonds, securities, etc.		49,885.00
Banking House, furniture and fixtures		5,000.00
Other real estate owned		None
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	$257,757.34	
Due from State Banks and Bankers	178,985.30	
Due from approved reserve agents	197,699.23	
Checks and other cash items	5,397.66	
Notes of other National Banks	6,900.00	
Fractional Paper currency, nickels and cents	1,398.23	
		648,137.76
Lawful money reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$26,000.00	
Legal tender notes	40,000.00	
		66,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation		10,000.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent. Redemption fund		3,874.00
Total		$ 2,014,987.74

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock paid in		$ 200,000.00
Surplus Fund		100,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		33,032.35
National Bank notes outstanding		200,000.00
Due to other National Banks	$484,033.15	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	459,199.01	
Due to 13 Trust Companies and Savings Banks	68,657.99	
Individual deposits subject to check	413,918.91	
Certified checks	1,071.25	
Cashier's checks outstanding	5,075.08	
United States Deposits	50,000.00	1,481,955.39
Bonds borrowed		None
Notes and bills rediscounted		None
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed		None
Total		$ 2,014,987.74

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss:

I, C. N. Evans, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. N. EVANS, Cashier.

Correst—Attest:
MATT J. HEYER,
J. A. TAYLOR,
ISADORE BEAR,
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of Nov. 1908.

CHAS. S. GRAINGER, Notary Public.

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Prices to suit everybody.

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HARDWARE.

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Atlantic Coast Line

Schedule in Effect Sept. 7, 1908.

NOTICE.

The arrivals and departures are given as information, as well as connections with other companies; but arrivals and connections are not guaranteed.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48.	No. 41.
Lv. Wilmington	9:00 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:03 pm	9:55 pm
Ar Wilson	1:00 pm	10:53 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:55 pm	2:36 pm
Ar Norfolk	5:55 pm	
Ar. Petersburg	7:00 pm	4:30 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	5:10 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	8:40 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:41 am	10:00 am
Ar. Philadelphia	4:21 am	12:18 pm
Ar. New York	7:23 am	2:45 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 48.
Lv New York	9:25 am	9:25 pm
Ar Philadelphia	11:37 am	12:15 am
Ar Baltimore	2:12 pm	2:51 am
Ar Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv Norfolk		8:25 am
Lv Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar Weldon	9:59 pm	11:28 am
Ar Rocky Mount	11:03 pm	12:55 pm
Ar Wilson	11:47 pm	1:58 pm
Ar Goldsboro	6:15 am	3:00 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9:25 am	6:10 pm

BETWEEN ILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily
Lv. Wil't'n	5:15 am	3:30 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Flor.	9:05 am	7:20 pm	4:30 am
Ar Col'bia	12:25 pm	10:45 pm	
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:15 pm	7:30 am
Ar. Sa'n.	6:20 pm	2:10 am	9:54 am
Ar. Jk'vlle		7 15 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		6:25 pm	12:15 am

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily
Lv. Tampa	8:55 pm	7:00 am
Lv. Jacksonville	8:55 am	7:45 pm
Ar. Savannah	1:05 pm	11:59 pm
Lv. Charleston	5:30 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia	4:30 pm	6:00 am
Ar. Florence	7:15 pm	2:55 am
Ar. Wilmington	12:45 am	1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	Westbound. Daily.	Eastbound Daily.
Lv. Wilmington	8:40 am	Ar 8:05 pm
Lv. Fayetteville	12:10 pm	Ar 4:45 pm
Ar. Sanford	1:40 pm	Lv 3:30 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEW BERN.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

	Northbound.	Southbound.
Lv. Wilmington	3:20 pm	1:00 pm
Ar. Newbern	7:00 pm	Lv. 9:25 am

Trains No. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Pennsylvania R. R., for all points east.

Trains No. 65 and 50 carry Pullman Sleeper between Wilmington and Columbia.

T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.

Seaboard Air Line Railway.

Schedule effective November 29th, 1908. Subject to change without notice.

Direct and shortest line to the principal cities, South and Southwest, also connects at Hamlet with Vestibule Trains North.

Tickets for passage for all trains are sold by this Company and accepted by the passenger with the understanding that this Company will not be responsible for failure to run its trains on schedule time or for any such delays as may be incident to their operation. Care is exercised to give correct time of connecting lines but this Company is not responsible for errors or omissions.

TRAINS ARRIVE AT WILMINGTON AS FOLLOWS.

No. 44 at 12:25 A. M. from Charlotte, Hamlet and local stations.

No. 40 arrives 12:20 P. M. from Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with No. 38 from Birmingham and Atlanta. No. 33 from Norfolk and Raleigh, No. 81 from New York and Washington, and all points North and South.

TRAINS LEAVE WILMINGTON AS FOLLOWS.

	No. 45	No. 39.
Lv. Wilm't'n	4:45 A. M.	3:00 P. M.
Ar. Lumb't'n	7:11 A. M.	5:43 P. M.
Ar. Maxton	7:52 A. M.	6:35 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet	8:45 A. M.	7:30 P. M.
Lv. Hamlet	9:05 A. M.	8:10 P. M.
Ar. Monroe	10:50 A. M.	10:20 P. M.
Ar. Ch'lotte	11:35 A. M.	11:30 P. M.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 66 for Raleigh and Richmond and points North at Monroe with No. 53 for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham and Charlotte, with No. 84 for Washington and New York, No. 32 for Portsmouth Norfolk and No. 43 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

For time-tables and any information apply to your nearest Ticket Agent or Call Phone No. 1294.

J. D. EDWARDS, Union Ticket Agent.
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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect, Saturday, October 10, 1908.

TO

THE BEACH

FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 3:00, 4:30:, 7:00, 8:30 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00 8:30 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00. 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM WRIGHTSVILLE

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:20, 7:25, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, :25, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 I. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:55, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM THE BEACH

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 7:15, 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

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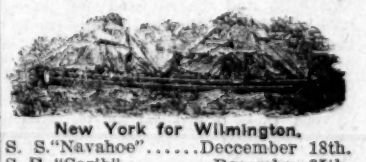

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 11.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market, steady 38.

ROSIN—Market, steady $2.75 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Market, firm $1.70.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm $2.00 per barrel for hard; $3.00 for dip and $3.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine steady 43 3-4; rosin nothing doing; tar steady $1.40; crude turpentine firm $2.00, $3.00 and $3.000.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	42
Rosin	78
Tar	253
Crude Turpentine	33

Receipts—Same day last year, 33 casks spirits turpentine; 66 barrels rosin; 244 barrels tar; 82 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8 5-8 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Steady, 11 3-8 cents.

Receipts—1,735 bales, same day last year 4,218 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, December 5th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65@75c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c; Virginia, prime 60@65c; extra prime 70@75c; Spanish, 75@80c.

CORN—Firm, 97 1-2c per bushel for white; 92 1-2@95 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, old 17c, shoulders 11 @12 1-2c; sides 12 1-2c.

EGGS—Firm at 25 per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@35c for large springs; growns, dull, 35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dr.flint, 10; green, dull 6c. per pound.

IRISH POTATOES—New 80 and 90c per bushel.

SWEET—POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Free of burr, 15c; burry wool 10 to 21 1-2c.

TURKEYS—On foot 12 to 13c net; 14 to 18c dressed. Dull demand.

GEESE—Dull 50c per head; dressed 50c.

PORK—Good demand 6 to 8c; corn fed 8c.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—The cotton market showed continued weakness today and January suffered a particularly severe break with the close steady at a net decline of 3 to 11 points. Sales were estimated at 325,000 bales.

The market opened at a decline of 1 to 8 points, although the cables were just about as due, and during the first half hour sold at a net loss of 9 to 10 points under liquidation and bear pressure. The decline was checked around 8.51 for January and 8.59 for May by covering for both local and foreign account, but there was little indication of bull support and sentiment showed little improvement, although prices rallied to within a point or so of last night's close during the middle session. At this level offerings again became heavier owing to rumors that there was still a considerable long interest which might be forced to liquidate, and during the afternoon the market was very nervous, with January relatively weak and selling off to 8.42, or 18 points net lower and 83 points below the high record of last month. Other months followed the decline rather slowly and it was believed that the break was chiefly due to the liquidation of some large January long interest. The close was a few points up from the lowest on covering.

Southern spot markets were unchanged to 3-16c lower, but local spot men claimed that the interior, as a rule was not following the decline in futures. New England spinners are said to be holding off in the hope of securing lower prices.

Receipts at the ports today were 89,192 bales, against 74,626 last week and 57,282 last year; for the week 410,000 bales, against 459,291 last week and 368,793 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 11,970 bales against 8,096 last year, and at Houston 16,164 bales against 7,349 last year.

Spot cotton quiet, 5 points lower; middling uplands 9.10; middling gulf 9.35; sales 2,500 bales. Futures opened and closed steady.

Month.	Open	Close.
December	8.93	8.85
January	8.57	8.49
February	——	8.52
March	8.55	8.55
April	——	8.57
May	8.63	8.62
June	——	8.60
July	8.61	8.61
August	8.50-52	8.52
September	——	8.40
October	8.40	8.42

Comparative Cotton Statement.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—For the week ending Friday, December 11th:

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during week 428,786.

Net receipts at all U. S. ports same week last year 368,393.

Total receipts since September 1st 5,313,803.

Total receipts to same date last year 4,064,899.

Exports for the week 3.86,972.

Exports for same week last year 234,354.

Total exports since September 1st 3,685,604.

Total exports same date last year 2,956,009.

Stock at all United States ports 1,092,133.

Stock at all United States ports same time last year 955,445.

Stock at all interior towns 829,346.

Stock at all interior towns, same time last year 450,972.

Stock at Liverpool same time last year 684,000.

Stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year 324,000.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11,—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston	2,044,801
New Orleans	952,549
Mobile	212,444
Savannah	962,338
Charleston	135,161
Wilmington	270,834
Norfolk	317,815
Baltimore	45,717
New York	6,028
Boston	6,982
Newport News	604
Philadelphia	1,857
San Francisco	16,328
Brunswick	152,174
Port Townsend	28,772
Pensacola	53,031
Port Arthur & Sabine Pass	36,511
Jacksonville	13,772
Eagle Pass, Texas	150
El Paso, Texas	50
Laredo, Texas	100
Texas City	20,445
Minor Ports	330
Total	5,313,803

WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—Prices of cotton have been forced downward principally by the enormous receipts. The extraordinary movement into sight week by week is where the shoe pinches. Moreover, the markets at the South are reported either sluggish or actually weak and there is an unrelieved pressure here of southern hedge selling. Then Liverpool straddle sales here are very persistent and at times large. They consist of sales mostly of October against purchases across the water of September-October. Such straddles may not have worked out very well for the season thus far, but English operators stick to it that they will ultimately prove remunerative.

Moreover, there seems to be some falling off in the sales of cotton goods in this country; Lancashire complains of dullness of trade; British exports of goods are somewhat disappointing, and Belgium reports show short time among some of its mills. The local stocks are gradually increasing. The increase this month is about 13,000 bales, and rumors are afloat that before very long this increase will amount to something like 50,000 bales.

December notices during the week are said to have reached a rather large volume or, at any rate, considerably larger than was generally supposed. The Government crop estimate of 12,920,000 bales is by many considered too low. Rumors that it was made so owing to outside pressure are denied at Washington, but such rumors, however, unfounded, have had some effect here.

Apart from this it is pointed out that the quantity ginned up to December 1st, if reduced to bales of 500 pounds each, is in half a dozen States so large as to suggest that before the end of the present calendar year the crop estimate for these States will be equalled if not exceeded. The fact that the government's December report is usually half a million bales in excess of the actual crop it is expected that this year's report is likewise in excess. It is a fact that last year the December estimate was 350,000 bales too high.

After all, however, prices have shown not a little resistance to pressure. December still continues at a good premium over 'January. The stock here is increasing, but is all good cotton. Big spinners' takings and very large exports are important features of the situation. Many believe that a crop of 13,500,000 bales will be absorbed this season and especially as the quality and staple admittedly much surpass those of any recent crop. Part of the South are beginning to report exhaustion of supplies. It is believed by many that the crop has been marketed with unwonted celerity owing to very favorable weather, which has given false impressions as to its size. Prices are 2 cents lower than a year ago and 3 cents under its high point. Middling uplands cotton here is quoted at 9.15 cents but even in the session of 1906-07, when the crop was 13,511,000 bales, it is pointed out that the average price of middling at New York during the year was 11.45 cents. Finally Wall street bulls continue to buy on a scale down on the idea that cotton is cheap and that every bale will be wanted. Operators there think that the actual consumption will be enough and that spinners will buy a very large quantity of this season's superior cotton in excess of their actual needs. For the moment, however, the big receipts seem burdensome.

PORT MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Galveston—Quiet, 8 13-16; net receipts 19,672; stock 253,986.

New Orleans—Quiet, 8 3-4; net receipts 11,970; stock 300,272.

Mobile—Steady, 8 9-16; net receipts 3,546; stock 70,820.

Savannah—Quiet, 8 7-16; net receipts 10,868; stock 153,442.

Charleston—Steady, 8 3-4; net receipts 1,758; stocks 29,109.

Wilmington—Steady, 8 3-8; net receipts 1,735; stock 24,081.

Norfolk—Quiet, 8 13-16; net receipts 2,718; stock 50,061.

Baltimore—Nominal; net receipts 5,538; stock 32,584.

New York—Quiet, 9.10; net receipts 222; stock 108,062.

Boston—Quiet, 9.10.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.35; stock 12,638.

Brunswick—Net receipts 30,508; stock 57,078.

Newport News—Net receipts 150.

Jacksonville—Net receipts 607.

Total today, at all ports, net receipts 89,182; Great Britain 41,184; France 4,599; Continent 25,567; stock 1,092,133.

Consolidated, at all ports, net receipts 428,786; Great Britain 206,033; France 54,430; Continent 120,343; Japan 5,166; Mexico 700.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 5,313,803; Great Britain 1,462,038; France 517,594; Continent 1,654,267; Japan 50,207; Mexico 1,503.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Houston—Easy, 8 11-166; net receipts 16,164; stock 133,231.

Augusta—Quiet, 8 15-16; net receipts 1,826; stock 98,053.

Memphis—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 5,104; stock 168,867.

St. Louis—9 1-8; net receipts 1,200; stock 36,323.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 1,660; stock 18,786.

Louisville—Firm, 9 1-4; net receipts 78; stock 190.

Little Rock—Firm, 8 1-2; net receipts 1,803; stock 45,198.

Total today—Net receipts 27,835; gross receipts 33,600; shipments 30,897; sales 6,148; stock 500,648.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Dec. 11.—Spot cotton in limited demand, prices 10 points lower. American middling fair 5.38; good middling 5.02; middling 4.86; low middling 4.66; good ordinary 4.15; ordinary 3.75. The sales of the day were 3,000 bales of which 200 were for speculation and export and included 2,400 American. Receipts 16,000 bales, all American.

Futures opened easy and closed quiet and steady. December 4.65; December and January 4.62; January and February 4.61 1-2; February and March 4.60 1-2; March and April 4.59 1-2; April and May 4.59 1-2; May and June 4.59 1-2; June and July 4.60; July and August 4.58 1-2; August and September 4.52 1-2; September and October 4.49; October and November 4.45 1-2; November and December 4.43 1-2; December and January 4.43; January and February 4.42 1-2.

THE DRY GOCDS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—The dry goods primary markets ruled generally quiet. Steady trading in a small way is noted in some of the houses and the road men are sending in small orders steadily. The edge is off the recent top prices in cotton goods. The local wool market has been fairly active for the week and prices are firm. Cotton yarns are irregular again, dealers who bought contracts in October being quite willing to trade at the small profits now in sight.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—The running up of the gold engagements for shipment to France of $3,900,000 took the edge off the speculative temper today and a considerable unloading resulted in the latter part of the day. The loss on the gold shipments was strengthened by the preliminary estimates of the week's currency movement, from which it appeared that practically no gain or balance from the interior had occurred to offset the absorption of $5,938,000 by the sub-treasury transactions of the week. The gold for export has not figured in the sub-treasury operations, the effect, therefore, being deferred to next week's bank statement rather than in the showing to be published tomorrow afternoon.

The payments of subscriptions to the Panama canal bonds have not yet commenced to figure in the sub-treasury operations, leaving another money requirement to be met. The money market became active and firmer with these developments, the demand being most noticeable for the shorter period. The sporadic cases of strength in the early stock market had to do mostly with speculative rumors, such as that E. H. Harriman is to join the Wabash directorate; that Chesapeake & Ohio is to issue bonds and raise its dividend; that Reading is to raise the dividend; that the New York Traction reorganization is ready to go forward with the return of the president from abroad, etc. Strength recurred in some of these when the market rallied late in the day and cut down the extreme losses considerably.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, were $6,488,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales today were 994,600 shares.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—Money on call firmer 2 1-4 to 3 per cent., ruling rate 2 1-2 per cent., closing bid 2 3-4, offered at 3 per cent. Time loans active and firmer; sixty days 3 per cent., and ninety days 3 to 3 1-4 per cent, six months 3 1-2 to 3 3-4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 to 4 1-2 percent. Sterling exchange strong with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8475 to 4.8485 for sixty day bills and at 4.8690 for demand. Commercial bills 4 84 1-2 to 4.84 5-8. Bar silver 48 5-8. Mexican dollars 45.

DUN'S TRADE REVIEW.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—R. G. Dun & Co's. weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

Retail trade is active in holiday goods and winter wearing apparel, while wholesale and jobbing departments are seasonably quiet as to new business, but there is a good movement on old orders, and manufacturing operations are not curtailed. Inventories are in progress, and those completed indicate no excessive stocks. Mercantile collections are more prompt and the steady gain in production of pig iron is a most encouraging indication of confidence in the leading industry.

Seasonably quiet conditions are reported in the primary markets for cotton goods, stocks being reduced as far as possible before the taking of inventories. Narrow print cloths have been supported by liberal purchases, but operations in wide goods at second hand have had a demoralizing influence. Only fair duplicate orders are received by makers of light weight men's wear woolens, but contracts on hand keep machinery active, and the outlook is encouraging because clothiers' salesmen report a fair volume of business for spring and the strong position of producers is shown by the difficulty experienced by tardy buyers in securing immediate deliveries. Expected advances in prices of footwear have been asked by New England manufacturers and while the rise tends to restrict new business, the raw material situation seems to warrant the small increase of 2 1-2 to 5 cents a pair.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. refunding 2s reg	103 1-4
U. S. refunding 2s cou	104
U. S. 3s reg	100 3-4
U. S. 3s cou	100 3-4
U. S. 4s reg	120 1-4
U. S. 4s cou	121
Amr. Tobacco Co. 6s	108 1-4
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	96
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	100 3-8
L. & N. Unified 4s	102
Seaboard Air Line 4s	63 3-8
Southern Railway 5s	107 1-2
U. S. Steel 5s	102 3-4

Closing Stock Lists.

Amalgamated Copper	83 1-2
Amr. Car & Foundry	45 3-4
Amr. Car & Foundry pfd	108
Amr. Cotton Oil Co	43
Amr. Locomotive	55 1-2
Amr. Smelting & Ref	90 1-2
Amr. Sm. & Ref. pfd ex div	104 1-2
Amr. Sugar Refining	131 3-4
Amr. Tobacco pfd	92
Atchison	98
Atchison pfd	102 1-4
Atlantic Coast Line	170
Baltimore & Ohio	109 3-8
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	92
Chesapeake & Ohio	58 3-8
Chicago, Mil. St. Paul	150 1-8
Colorado Southern	54 1-4
Erie	33 5-8
Erie 1st pfd	49 1-2
Erie 2nd pfd	39 1-2
Great Northern pfd	143 1-8
Kansas City Southern	38
Kan. City Southern pfd	67 1-2
L. & N.	123 1-4
Norfolk & Western	84
Northern Pacific	141 7-8
Pennsylvania	129 3-4
People's Gas	100 1-2
Reading	141 7-8
Rock Island Co.	23 7-8
Rock Island Co. pfd	59 7-8
Southern Pacific	120 5-8
Southern Pacific pfd	123 1-2
Southern Railway	25 3-8
Southern Railway pfd	59 3-8
Standard Oil	682
Union Pacific	182 7-8
U. S. Steel	54 1-4
U. S. Steel pfd	112 5-8
Va.-Car. Chemical	44
Va.-Car. Chemical pfd	114
Western Union	68
Westinghouse Electric Co	88

WEEKLY RICE MARKET REVIEW.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—The rice market has been under the ban of the holiday trade, wholesale grocers buying only as their depleted stocks compelled. The receipts have been liberal, but a considerable portion found its way into consumption from the docks. Stocks in store are not excessive when compared with the usual supply at this time of the year and assortments none too good on Honduras sorts which for fancy heads hold firm. The attractive level of Japans gives them the preference, though there is still an element of the trade holding off in the expectation that the South will recede from its position and further cutting ensue. This inference may be due to the easier offers from some Texas mills, though others hold firm, claiming that the high price of rough rice precludes concessions.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—Flour dull and lower.

Wheat—Spot weak; No. 2 red 1.07-3-8 to 1.08 7-8 elevator. Options 1 1-4 to 1 3-8c net lower. December 1.09 5-8; May 1.10 7-8; July 1.04 3-4.

Corn—Spot easy; No. 2, 66 1-2 to arrive elevator. Options weaker closing 1-2 to 3-4c net lower. December 68; May 68 1-2; July 68 1-4; September 68 1-4.

Oats—Spot steady; mixed 55 to 55 1-2.

Lard—Steady.

Pork—Barely steady.

Tallow—Steady.

Rice—Steady.

Molasses—Firm.

Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining 336; centrifugal 96 test 3.36; molasses sugar 3.11. Refined steady.

Coffee—Dull, Rio No. 7, 6 1-2; Santos No. 4, 7 7-8 to 8 1-8. Mild dull; Cordova 9 1-4 to 12 1-2. Futures closed steady, net unchanged to 10 points lower.

Butter—Quiet; fancy grades firm; creamery specials 31 1-2 to 32 (official) 31 1-2.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Unsettled; state, Pennsylvania and nearby selected white 50; do fair to choice 44 to 48; brown and mixed fancy 40; do fair to choice 33 to 38.

Potatoes—Steady; Southern sweets per barrel 1.75 to 2.50.

Cabbages—Firm; state, per ton 26.00 to 32.00; red 32.00 to 38.00.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Freights to Liverpool — Barely steady; grain by steam 1 3-4d.

Cotton Seed Oil was barely steady owing to liberal offerings of crude and easier cotton and hog products. Prime crude 29 1-2 to 30; prime summer yellow 38 1-4 to 3-4; prime white 39 1-4 to 41; prime winter yellow 44 to 48 off summer yellow 37 to 38 1-2; good off summer yellow 37 1-4 to 38 3-4.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 11.—General liquidation caused extreme weakness today in the local wheat market, prices at the close being 1 5-8 to 1 3-4c below yesterday's final quotations. Corn, oats and provisions also closed weak.

	Opening.	Highest.	Closing.
Wheat—			
Dec.	1 02 1-4	1 02 3-8	1 00 5-8
May	1 07 5-8	1 07 7-8	1 05 7-8
July	99 3-4	1 00	98 1-8
Corn—			
Dec.	58 1-4	58 1-4	57 5-8
May	61	62	61
July	62 1-8	62 1-8	61 3-8
Oats—			
Dec.	51	51	50 1-4
May	53 3-8	53 1-2	52 1-2
July	47 1-2	47 5-8	47 1-8
Mess Pork, per bbl.—			
Jan.	15 85	15 85	15 65
May	16 25	16 25	16 00
Lard, per 100 lbs.—			
Jan.	9 22 1-2	9 22 1-2	9 15
May	9 45	9 45	9 35
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—			
Jan.	8 25	8 25	8 17 1-2
May	8 55	8 55	8 45

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour easy, 10c lower; No. 2 spring wheat 1.05 to 1.07; No. 3 1.00 to 1.06; No. 2 red 1.00 5-8 to 1.03 3-8; No. 2 corn 58 1-4 to 1-2; No. 2 yellow 58 1-2 to 3-4; No. 2 oats 51 1-2; No. 3 white 50 3-4 to 52; No. 2 rye 74 to 1-2; good feeding barley 59; fair to choice malting 61 to 63 1-2; No. 1 northwestern 1.45 1-2; prime timothy seed 3.85; clover, contract grades 9.40; short ribs sides (loose) 7.87 1-2 to 8.25; mess pork per bbl. 14.37 1-2 to 14.50; lard, per 100 lbs. 9.15 to 9. 17 1-2; short clear sides (boxed) 8.62 1-2 to 8.75.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—Rosin and turpentine quiet.

Charleston, Dec. 11.—Spirits turpentine firm 38 1-2. Rosin firm. A B C, and D, 2.90; E, 2.95.

Savannah, Dec. 11.—Spirits turpentine firm 39; sales 452; receipts 778; shipments 190. Rosin firm; sales 3,012; receipts 2,749; shipments 1,079; stock 152,893. Quote: B and D, 3.05; E F, 3.07 1-2; G, 3.10; H, 3.45; I, 4.15; K, 5.10; M, 5.80; N, 6.15; WG, 6.40; WW, 6.50.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 11, 1908.

C. C. Railroad—10 bales cotton; 6 barrels rosin; 38 barrels tar; 7 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—107 bales cotton; 1 barrel crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—997 bales cotton; 40 casks spirits turpentine; 42 barrels rosin; 31 barrels tar; 13 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—44 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 45 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—54 bales cotton; 42 barrels tar.

Str. Alice—8 barrels tar.

Str. City of Fayetteville—67 bales cotton; 89 barrels tar; 12 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Navahoe—406 bales cotton.

Schr. Theo. Rale—30 barrels rosin.

Total—1,735 bales cotton; 42 casks spirits turpentine; 78 barrels rosin; 253 barrels tar; 33 barrels crude turpentine.

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Schooners.

Horace P. Shares, 392 tons, Flynn, C. D. Maffitt.

Joel L. Cook, 319 tons, Lovelard, C. D. Maffitt.

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Distillers quote crude turpentine as follows: $3.00 for dip and virgin, and $2.00 for hard.

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WATERLOO.

The Immutability of the Famous Old Battlefield.

One of the most striking features of a visit to the battlefield of Waterloo today is the immutability of the entire scene in which one of the greatest battles of history took place. Notwithstanding the many years that have passed since the memorable day of June 18, 1815, the entire scene of the battle remains practically unchanged and untouched, and the very buildings around which the tide of battle surged the fiercest, save for the necessary restorations of the damage they sustained in the conflict, remain exactly as they were, nor has any encroachment of building or progress marred the historic field.

The battlefield of Waterloo is an open, undulating stretch of good farming land. On the day of the battle the greater part of it was covered with crops of rye, wheat, barley and oats, and the same crops are still grown there each season. The field is intersected by two highroads branching at Mont St. Jean, the one on the right leading to Nivelles, while that on the left, which lay in the center of both armies, led south to Genappe, Charleroi and Namur. Upon the crest of the ridge which formed the first of the allied positions a crossroad runs east and west. This road, on approaching the spot where the "Lion of Waterloo" now stands, ran through a cut in the crest some twelve to fourteen feet deep, and it was this point that was known after the battle as the Hollow Road. Some 500 yards to the southeast of the "Lion" is the farm of La Haye Sainte, while about 900 yards to the southwest stands Hougoumont, the old chateau, farmhouse, outbuildings, walled garden and orchard, which played such an important part in the fate of the day. These buildings are nearly 300 years old and were built with a view to their defense, as many old stone loopholes still to be found testify. — Robert Howard Russell in Metropolitan Magazine.

Insomnia.

Insomnia is the not uncommon fate of the brain worker who after years of continuous mental strain retires from active life. The reason is that mental activity demands a large supply of blood for the brain, and the blood vessels gradually accommodate themselves to this large supply. But when the hard work is over the brain does not always realize that it needs less nourishment, and hence the condition of excessive mental activity which is what insomnia is.—London Mail.

Suspicious.

The Warden—I think the members of the choir are going to ask for more money. The Sidesman—Why? The Warden—For the last two Sundays they have been listening to the sermon.—Illustrated Bits.

A Striking Misapprehension.

Officer—Excuse me, madam; there goes eight bells. It's my watch on deck. Mrs. Lansman—Well, I don't blame you for keeping your watch on deck if it strikes as loudly as that.—Harper's Weekly.

The favor of great men and the praise of the world are not much to be relied on.—French Proverb.

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BONDS FAVORED FOR IMPROVEMENTS

The Resolutions Adopted By River and Harbors Congress Yesterday.

FIVE HUNDRED MILLIONS

The Amount Asked of the National Government—Other Terms of the Memorial to Congress—Enthusiasm of the Members.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—Wnth an enthusiasm seldom witnessed in a similar organization the National Rivers and Harbors Congress at its concluding session here today, by a unanimous vote, placed itself on record in favor of the issuance of Government bonds for the improvement of the great waterway projects of the country.

By resolution which was one of a series adopted, the Congress declared for an authorized issue by Congress at its present session of $500,000,000 worth of bonds, the proceeds to be used in the payment exclusively for such river and harbor work as may be authorized by Congress, provision for the issue to be similar to the Panama canal bonds.

Later in the day a committee presented to Vice President Fairbanks and Speaker Cannon the bond resolution. Mr. Fairbanks expressed a favorable opinion of the proposition, but Mr. Cannon merely assured the committee that the resolutions would be referred to the proper committee for consideration.

The resolutions urge upon the National Congress the completion of projects heretofore approved and the adoption of new schemes of a comprehensive character; the appointment of a committee to prepare a bill for introduction in Congress providing for the proposed bond issue; the creation of a permanent commission to study waterway projects here and abroad with a view to suggesting to Congress a comprehensive plan and policy for improving our waterways; the enlargement to twice its present size of the engineer corps of the army; and the utilization of the present United States assistant civil engineers with authority to propose to Congress plans and projects for waterway improvements.

Upon motion of Representative J. Hampton Moore, of Philadelphia, a resolution was adopted requesting the American Congress to invite the permanent International Association of Navigation Congresses to hold its 12th annual convention in this country in 1911.

A movement was inaugurated for the establishment of permanent headquarters for the Congress in this city and to this end the Texas delegation headed the list with a pledge of $1,000 and on behalf of Louisiana, Mayor Bernham pledged his State for a similar amount. Much of the morning session was taken up with three minute addresses by members of the various State delegations.

Among the vice presidents for the various States chosen were: Alabama, Frank P. Glass, Montgomery; Florida, S. M. Sparkman, Tampa; Georgia, Oswell R. Eve, Augusta; South Carolina, Governor M. F. Ansel, Columbia; Tennessee, E. R. Richardson, Nashville; Virginia, R. A. Dobie, Norfolk.

PREPARING TO LEAVE CUBA.

Arrangements For Withdrawing The Troops and Civil Officers.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—At the War Department today first details regarding the withdrawal from Cuba of the American Army of Pacification which has been on duty there since the fall of 1906, were made known. The movements of the troops will begin January 19th, and will be completed by April 1st.

The officers and civilians on duty in connection with the Provisional Government will sail from Havana the day after the inauguration of President Gomez and the troops remaining on the island after that date will be withdrawn as rapidly as transportation facilities will permit. Three army transports will be used in bringing the troops home, and all the troops will be landed at Newport News, Va.

All the officers and civilians who have been serving in Cuba in maintaining the Provisional Government will sail on the transport Sumner for Newport News on January 29th.

The greater portion of the troops will sail from Cuba on February 27th in the transports Meade, Sumner and McClellan. This date will see the removal of the headquarters of the Army of Pacification.

SEVEN HUNDRED BLUE JACKETS

To be Sent to Panama to Join the Pacific Fleet.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—Seven hundred blue jackets are to be taken from Norfolk to Colon on the cruiser Prairie for trans-shipment to Panama to fill the places of short-term men and vacancies on the Pacific fleet which is due to arrive at Panama tomorrow from Amapala and LaUnion. Three hundred blue jackets and 120 marines aboard the fleet will be detached at Panama and sent across the isthmus and brought home by the Prairie.

Anticipating that large parties of men from Admiral Swinburn's Pacific fleet will be given shore leave at Panama the State Department has requested assurances from the Panama authorities that adequate protection be given them. In the past there has been trouble between blue jackets and natives of the city of Panama.

DURHAM AGAIN STIRRED

Reuben Barbee, Notorious Character, Arrested for Cruel Murder of Engineer Holt and Militia Called Out to Prevent Violence.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 11.—There was much excitement in Durham today, caused by the arrest there of Reuben Barbee, aged 43 years, a wealthy citizen of that place, charged with the assassination of Engineer Fred Holt, of Spencer, by shooting him in his cab on the Southern Railway last week.

It is said sufficient evidence has been obtained to convict and Barbee will be given a preliminary hearing tomorrow. The arrest was made by Special Detective W. J. Ashburn, of Salisbury. A number of engineers, conductors and other railroad men left Spencer for Durham this afternoon. While feeling against Barbee runs high it is not believed that there will be any violence.

Barbee is noted as the acquitted slayer of a Mr. Cole, 12 years ago. He is also charged with many crimes unproved, however, and is known to have had a grudge against the Southern railway and against Greenberg, the Hebrew merchant, whose house was fired into the same night. The Holt brothers have been contemplating the arrest of Barbee for several days. Two colored witnesses say they saw Barbee come from under the coal chute the night of the murder. Positive evidence will not be disclosed by Sheriff Harward and the detective until the trial tomorrow. It is stated, however, that there is no doubt of his guilt, as he has been under suspicion a whole week. Feeling against him is high and the local military has been placed in readiness to protect the prisoner from any mob violence that may be offered him.

HEGEMAN FREED BY COURT.

Decision Will Serve to Quash All Indictments Against Officials.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—John R. Hegeman, president of the Metropolitan life Insurance Company, was freed by the court today in a decision that, if it stands, will serve to quash all indictments now standing against insurance officials according to District Attorney Jerome, who, however, expects to take the present case to the Court of Appeals.

Mr. Hegeman was charged with perjury in the verification of a report made by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company to the superintendent of insurance in the State of New York, in January 1909. The matter reached the appellate division of the Supreme Court through habeas corpus proceedings and today that court sustained the writ and dismissed Hegeman from custody.

There are six indictments for forgery against George W. Perkins, formerly vice president of the New York Life Insurance Company and several against Charles S. Fairchild, of the same company, based on practically the same allegations of facts in regard to the making of reports of the company's condition. There is one indictment for forgery against Robert A. Granniss, formerly vice president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company on the same ground.

A NEGRO DESPERADO

Raided White Man's Home and Was Dealt With at Hands of Possee.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Statenville, Ga., Dec. 11.—Breaking into the home of Fisher Belote, a negro desperado, crying out that he wanted "Old Belote" fired two shots of his pistol in the bed, where the daughter of Belote was lying ill, seized her by the foot and dragged her from the bed, firing three other shots and then fled.

Harper Belote, a little boy fired at him as he ran but missed. Track hounds followed the negro with a possee into a swamp several miles away. The posse disappeared for two hours and then re-appeared with the significant statement that "the negro will make no more midnight raids on white people." Their statement at once stopped all further pursuit.

REDWINE ENDORSED.

Monroe Attorney of Parts Recommended for Judgeship.

A number of leading Wilmington attorneys, in fact all members of the bar who could be reached within the limited time at the disposal of those at the head of the movement, yesterday forwarded to the Governor a very strong endorsement of Hon. R. B. Redwine, of Monroe, for appointment as successor of Judge Walter H. Neal, resigned. The endorsement spoke of the eminent qualifications of Mr. Redwine for the position and of the pleasure it would give the attorneys of the nearby district to see the Monroe man named for high judicial position. It is expected that the Governor will make the appointment of a successor to Judge Neal upon his return to Raleigh this morning.

J. G. Lester, secretary of the "Uncle Remus" Memorial Association, at Atlanta, announced yesterday the receipt of a contribution of $1,000 from Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, to the fund for perpetuating the memory of Joel Chanler Harris. Mr. Ryan was tendered and has accepted the position of vice president of the association.

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ACTION CONGRESS ON THE MESSAGE

Indignation Expressed With Regard to President's Mention of Secret Service.

RESOLUTIONS WERE PASSED

Congressman Perkins Offered Resolutions Providing for Appointment of Committee to Consider Subject and Make Report.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—A new record in the transaction of the public business was established by the House of Representatives today. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, which usually excites considerable discussion lasting for several days, was passed with little debate and practically in the shape in which it came from committee. An unusual feature was that no members asked for time to indulge in general talk.

The facility with which the bill of 165 pages was put through was the subject of much comment on the floor and the members of the appropriation committee felicitated themselves on the outcome. The bill carries an appropriation of $31,665,320.

The indignation of the members of the House of Representatives over the portion of the President's annual message relating to the secret service found expression today in a resolution offered by Mr. Perkins, Republican, of New York, providing for the appointment of a committee of five to consider the subject and report what action should be taken in connection with the matter. The resolution was as follows:

"Whereas, there was contained in the sundry civil appropriation bill which passed Congress at its last session and became a law, a provision in reference to the employment of the secret service in the Treasury Department, and,

"Whereas, in the message of the President of the United States to the two Houses of Congress it was stated in reference to that provision, 'it is not too much to say that this amendment has been of benefit only, and could be of benefit only to the criminal classes' and it was further stated, 'The chief argument in favor of the provision was that the Congressman did not themselves wish to be investigated by secret service men' and it was further stated: 'But if this is not considered desirable a special exception could be made in the law, prohibiting the use of the secret service force in investigating members of Congress. It would be far better to do this than to do what actually was done, and strive to prevent or at least to hamper effective action against criminals by the executive branch of the Government. Now, therefore,

"Be it resolved, that a committee of five members of Congress of this House be appointed by the Speaker to consider the statements contained in the message of the President and report to the House what action if any should be taken in reference thereto."

Mr. Perkins was designated by the Republican leaders of the House to present the resolution. In submitting it he said:

"I do not believe in over sensitiveness to unfavorable criticism, whether upon an individual or upon a public body. But while there may be undue sensitiveness, so also there may be undue obtuseness which might argue a lack of proper self-respect. The statements made by the President cannot be lightly disregarded."

The resolution was adopted without debate and unanimously.

RECEIVERS FOR N. & S. RAILWAY.

Original Receivership Brought by the American Trust Co.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 11.—Default having occurred in the payment of the interest on the bonds of the Norfolk & Southern Railway, the Trust Company of America, of New York, trustee, which brought the original receivership today in the Federal court here, filed a bill of foreclosure. The Norfolk & Southern Railway thereupon filed its answer and Judge Waddill at once entered a decree consolidating the two cases and directing that they proceed as one cause.

Following this Judge Waddill re-appointed Thomas Fitzgerald, H. M. Kerr and H. K. Wolcott, as receivers for the property. The receivers asked permission to issue receivers certificates to the amount of $1,000,000. Judge Waddill referred the request to Robert M. Hughes, Jr., to inquire as to the expediency and propriety of the issue.

SELECTING THE CABINET

Roosevelt and Taft Held Important Conference Last Night.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft had an extended conference tonight at the White House. Many matters relative to the present and next administration were discussed, not the least important of which was a general talk regarding the Taft Cabinet. The conference began after ten o'clock at the conclusion of a dinner at the home of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Winthrop, attended by Mr. and Mrs. Taft.

George A. Knight, of California, was recommended for a Cabinet position today by Representative Duncan B. McKinley, of that State.

After the gridiron dinner which he will attend tomorrow, Mr. Taft will leave for New York, where he will remain until Thursday, when he will start for Augusta, Ga.

BIG THING FOR SOUTH

The Project of a Permanent Southern Commercial Congress in Washington, According to Preisdent Parker's Ideas.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 11.—John M. Parker, a wealthy cotton planter, tonight was brimful of enthusiasm about the project of a permanent Southern Commercial Congress in Washington.

"Even in this big city of ideas," he said, "many men gasp when I explain the matter and say it is too big, but I am confident that it will go through.

"I was elected president of the Congress two days ago and today at a meeting I said we should get one thousand men to put up $1,000 cash to be life members of the Southern Club which will become the Washington headquarters of the Congress."

About $2225,000 was pledged, but Mr. Parker is waiting to see the cash. His plan is to have each Southern State make a permanent exhibit and to have a great building where information may be obtained about every county so that the resources may be developed.

M. B. Trezevant, secretary of the New Orleans Progressive Union, said: "This idea is going to be the biggest thing that has ever struck the South and to Mr. Parker belongs the credit of conceiving it. When all the great canal schemes and waterways schemes to which President Roosevelt and his successor are committed are perfected New Orleans will be the Liverpool of the western world. It is now 600 miles nearer to the Panama canal than New York city for instance, and when the still water courses from the Rio Grande to New Orleans and from New Orleans to New England ports are completed, things will hum down there."

DISAPPROVE PRESIDENT'S ORDER

Regarding Withdrawal Marine Corps From Warships.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 11.—A movement is being considered by several members of the House looking to the overthrow of the recent order of the President withdrawing the marine corps from United States warships. Just what form the opposition to the President's order will take has not been decided upon, but one prominent member today declared that if the naval committee did not take some step to defend the marine corps, there probably would be a provision offered on the floor of the House expressing the disapproval of that body of the President's policy.

Rev. G. Forest Tuttle, aged 50, was shot and instantly killed near Washington, Ga., yesterday by Warren Bailey, aged 21, who was felled by an iron wedge in the hands of the preacher as he fell. They quarreled over a negro laborer, who hired to one and went to work for the other. Bailey's skull is crushed and he is near to death. Witnesses say Bailey fired while the iron wedge was in the air hurled by Rev. Tuttle.

Would Mortgage the Farm.

A farmer on Rural Route 2, Empire, Ga., W. A. Floyd by name, says: "Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured the two worst sores I ever saw: one on my hand and one on my leg. It is worth more than its weight in gold. I would not be without it if I had to mortgage the farm to get it." Only 25c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

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